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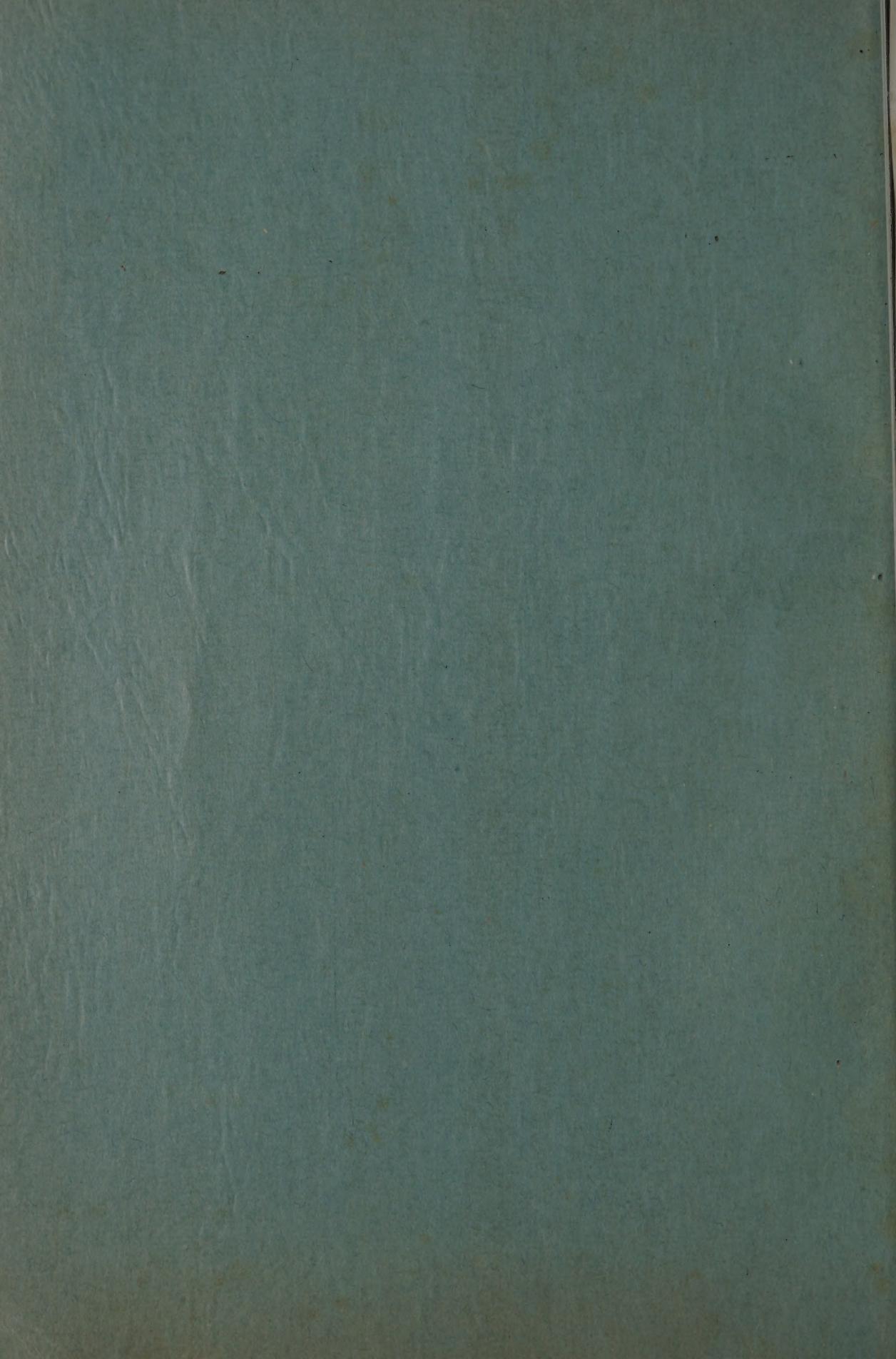
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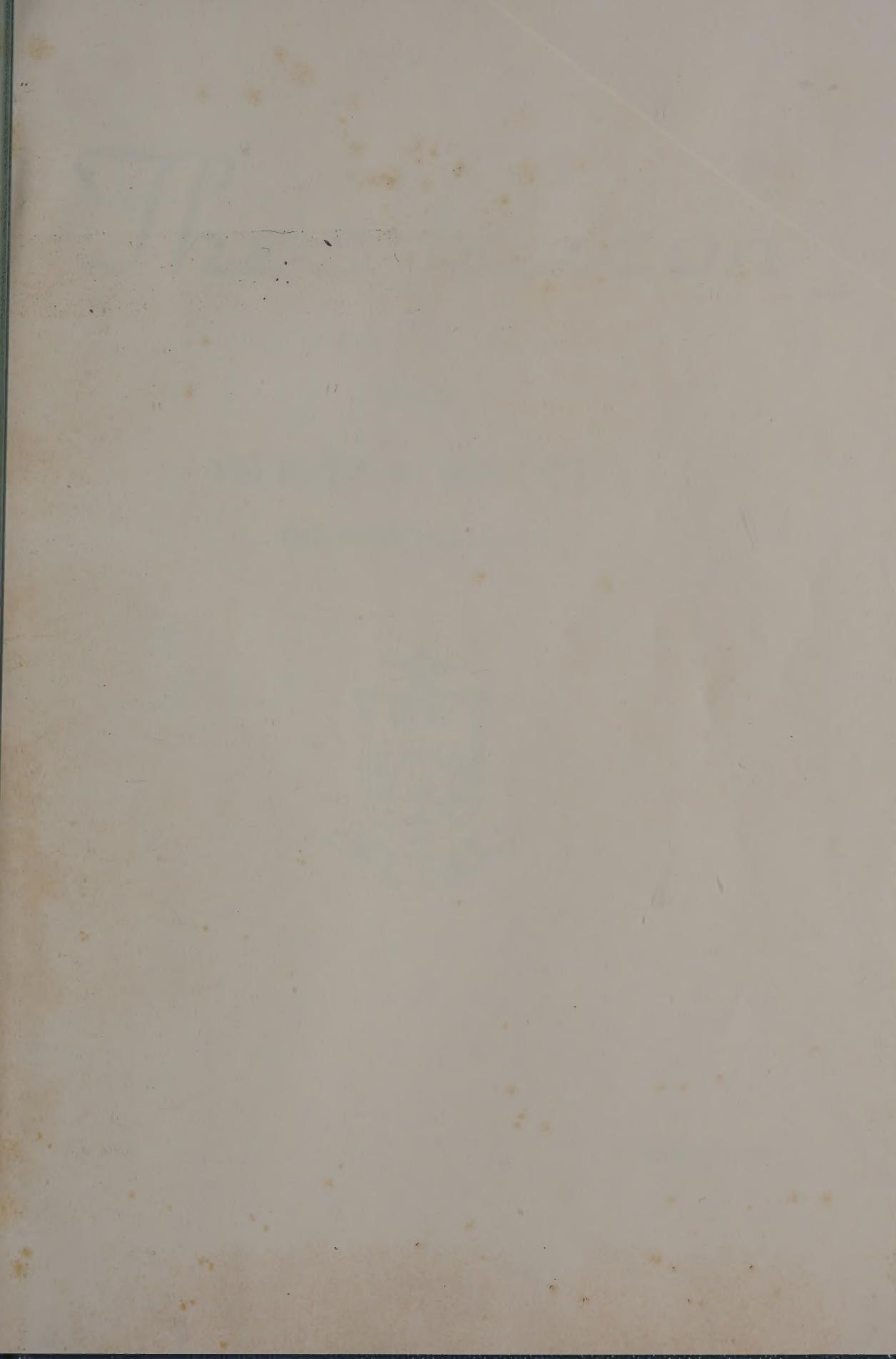
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Foreword

It is with a sense of great humility that I give to you the 1950 edition of your Psi Iota Xi Helicon. It is no easy task to follow in the footsteps of such capable editors as Thelma Shanks, Leah Flint, Ruth Hancock, Peg Gray, and the others who preceded them.

Recognizing the fact that summer is a difficult time to contact chapters, I appreciate the efforts made by the corresponding secretaries to get me the material desired. I am proud to say that I was able to use every picture that was sent to me except a few that the engravers had to veto use of because of mechanical disability. I regret that some chapters have shorter reports than others, but my work is that of an editor, not an author, and I could use only what was sent to me.

I wished for more personal items that would be of interest to you as I wanted this book to be the one that you would really read and want to keep more than ever. My hope is that you will glean some information that will be helpful to you in the news letters, that you will be pleased with the pictures, and that you will enjoy your year-book, here returned to its annual form.

DOROTHY DOLES.

TO PI CHAPTER OF FORT WAYNE
WHOSE SERVICE
THROUGH THIRTY YEARS
HAS BEEN A BEACON
TO LIGHT THE WAY
ON A SEA OF WORTHWHILE ENTERPRISE
THE 1950 EDITION
OF
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IS RESPECTFULLY DEDICATED

Grand President's Message

You have bestowed upon me the highest honor of Psi Iota Xi Sorority, and with mingled feelings of pride and humility, I shall make every effort to creditably fulfill the obligation of my office.

Once again we are facing a world crisis, which we all hope and pray will be of short duration. However, we shall go forward as we have in the past, to the best of our ability, doing that which we are called upon to do.

We can justifiably feel proud of the progress our organization has made in the past. With the assistance of the competent Grand Council which you have selected to work with me, together with the co-operation we have always enjoyed from the chapters, we shall continue to strive for greater accomplishments.

MARY ANNE REED

Grand President



MARY ANNE REED



MARY ETTA HOUGLAND
Grand Vice-President



LOU MARTIN
Grand Secretary



ROSEMARY WEDDLE
Grand Treasurer



EARLYN YOUNG
Grand Advisor



SIS PETERSON
Grand Conductress



DOROTHY DOLES
Grand Editor



Members of Grand Council taken following the formal dinner at Convention at West Lafayette.
L. to r. 1st row, Mary Etta Hougland, Mary Anne Reed, Lou Martin, Mildred Lawson; 2nd row, Sis Peterson, Rosemary Weddle, Earlyn Young, and Dorothy Doles.

Chapter Roll

NORTHERN PROVINCE

Kappa, Kokomo	1908	Beta Gamma, Peru	1929
Rho, Angola	1916	Beta Delta, Van Wert, Ohio	1929
Pi, Fort Wayne	1919	Beta Epsilon, Mentone	1929
Phi, Huntington	1920	Delta Gamma, Fort Wayne	1930
Chi, Brookston	1921	Beta Nu, East Chicago	1934
Alpha Delta, Decatur	1922	Beta Xi, Crown Point	1934
Alpha Eta, Bluffton	1923	Beta Rho, Goshen	1935
Alpha Mu, Hartford City	1925	Beta Psi, Delphi	1939
Alpha Nu, Markle	1925	Delta Zeta, Lafayette	1940
Alpha Xi, Logansport	1925	Gamma Beta, Remington	1941
Alpha Rho, Garrett	1926	Gamma Zeta, Ossian	1945
Beta Alpha, Flora	1928	Gamma Kappa, Brook	1949
Gamma Mu, Lafayette			1950

CENTRAL PROVINCE

Alpha, Muncie	1897	Beta Theta, Eaton	1931
Delta, Indianapolis	1904	Beta Iota, Farmland	1932
Theta, New Castle	1908	Beta Pi, Cambridge City	1935
Upsilon, Greenfield	1920	Beta Tau, Frankfort	1936
Omega, Lebanon	1921	Beta Upsilon, Mt. Vernon, Ohio ..	1937
Alpha Zeta, Thorntown	1923	Delta Epsilon, Muncie	1937
Alpha Iota, Richmond	1924	Beta Chi, Waynetown	1939
Alpha Lambda, Zionsville	1924	Gamma Alpha, Portland	1940
Alpha Phi, Fortville	1928	Gamma Delta, Attica	1941
Alpha Chi, Hagerstown	1928	Gamma Epsilon, Covington	1944
Delta Beta, Indianapolis	1929	Gamma Eta, Knightstown	1946
Beta Zeta, Summitville	1930	Delta Chi, Washington, D. C.	1947
Beta Eta, Centerville	1930	Gamma Theta, Speedway City ...	1948

SOUTHERN PROVINCE

Epsilon, Columbus	1904	Alpha Upsilon, West Baden	1927
Zeta, Bloomington	1906	Alpha Psi, Washington	1928
Iota, Rushville	1908	Alpha Omega, North Vernon	1928
Sigma, Greensburg	1917	Beta Beta, Sullivan	1928
Alpha Beta, Seymour	1922	Beta Kappa, Bloomfield	1933
Alpha Epsilon, Jeffersonville	1923	Beta Lambda, Bedford	1933
Alpha Theta, Charlestown	1923	Beta Mu, Brownstown	1933
Alpha Kappa, Franklin	1924	Beta Omega, New Albany	1934
Alpha Omicron, Vincennes	1926	Beta Sigma, Austin	1935
Alpha Pi, Scottsburg	1926	Beta Phi, Shelbyville	1938
Alpha Sigma, Princeton	1926	Delta Iota, Cincinnati	1947
Alpha Tau, Petersburg	1927	Gamma Iota, Shoals	1948

Gamma Lambda, Paris Crossing 1949

OFFICIAL STATIONER

Mrs. Glenn Marshall.....1635 Central Apt. 1, Indianapolis, Indiana

OFFICIAL JEWELER

Meyer and Alexander.....Marion, Indiana

Pi Chapter—Fort Wayne



One of the earliest pictures taken of Pi Chapter is the one shown above taken in June, 1920, not quite a year after the group was installed. The picture includes most of the charter members and the first few initiates. Ten of the fourteen pictured above are still active and beloved members of Pi Chapter, and eight of the eleven charter members are shown.

Pictured in the top row, left to right, are Ethel Peterson Kuntz, Mary Zent, Victoria Gross and Pauline Sellers Boerger. Middle row, left to right, Jane Duemling, Lois Bond, Gladys Becker, and Gertrude Gross Hanser. Bottom row, left to right, Cleo Goff Wilkens, Peg Strieder Smith, Esther Schild Wasson, Lo Gross Young, Martha Canada Kruse, and Edith Duemling Curdes. The charter members pictured are Ethel Kuntz, Mary Zent, Victoria Gross, Gladys Becker, Gertrude Hanser, Peg Smith, Lo Young, and Martha Kruse.

History of Pi Chapter

In the fall of 1918, Victoria Gross entered Indiana University, and in addition to her French and History majors learned about an organization called Psi Iota Xi Sorority through the Bloomington Psi Otes. With her new knowledge came the desire to have a Psi Ote chapter in Ft. Wayne, so she wrote to her sisters, Lo and Gertrude, and a friend, Hilda Schwehn, and these three formed the O'Kiku Club, which, after a few months petitioned for a Psi Ote Charter.

The group was accepted and installation was held August 9, 1919 at the home of Margaret Strieder Smith on Meyer Avenue with the following eleven charter members: Gladys Becker, Velma

Grosjean, Victoria Gross, Gertrude Gross Hanser, Meribah Ingham, Ethel Peterson Kuntz, Martha Canada Kruse, Hilda Schwehn, Margaret Strieder Smith, Loraine Gross Young, and Mary Zent. It is an enviable record and truly an achievement to report that of those eleven charter members, seven are still active members of Pi Chapter, three have moved out of town, and only one has strayed from the fold. The outstanding attribute of Pi Chapter is not its accomplishments, which have been many and varied, but the ability to hold its membership together. In this fact lies the group's strength. The chapter now numbers ninety-three members and eighteen pledges.

Records reveal that Pi Chapter in its thirty-one years of existence has initiated one hundred ninety members: sixty have moved out of town, thirty-two have resigned, (twenty of these have since moved from Ft. Wayne) and there have been five deaths.

The chapter's primary interest during its first few years was membership, and it experienced the usual "growing pains" of any young organization. It gained its members by twos and threes and argued about each one. As one charter member says, "We wanted to be sure they'd stick and work." History has proved they did!

By 1922, the chapter was twenty-nine strong and growing a bit independent, a baby just beginning to walk. Among the first money-making projects was serving Masonic dinners for which each member received one dollar, which she in turn donated to the chapter.

More growing pains and more members added, and then in 1926 the young chapter took on entertaining national convention at the total cost of \$1,006.45. A dinner at the Elks, luncheon at Wolf and Dessauer's and more activities at the old Anthony Hotel were some of the convention activities. Marion Cherry was president that year and one of the highlights of the convention for Pi Chapter was the model initiation service staged at Trinity Church on a beautiful June day. The highlight was, of course, the fact that the ritual was written by Clare McDarby, Vic Gross, and Ann Duemling of our own chapter. The ritual was approved and accepted as the initiation service for Psi Iota Xi throughout the state. This marked the beginning of a dignified and solemn initiation with officers wearing gowns of blue and gold, the diamond arrangement on the floor, the plaque and so forth.

In these early days, the chapter's money-making projects were still the Masonic dinners, rummage and bake sales, and the selling of Aplets. Early charity projects were buying glasses, and later milk, for the underprivileged school children, helping the Girl Scouts, and contributing to the Florida hurricane relief.

In 1928 the chapter held a dance at the Country Club and went \$128.00 in the hole. In November of that year they initiated nine new members, the largest group in its history at that time. In June of the following year (1929) the group pledged nineteen girls in a garden service at the home of Marie Miller. This being the chapter's tenth anniversary, they decided they had grown too big so they tried to separate into two groups, having every third meeting together. There is no record as to how the separation was accomplished, but the secretary's books show that it was unsuccessful and after a year's trial the group voted to become as one again. In 1929,

they also contributed \$100.00 to the Girl Scouts.

In the fall of 1930 the group was again together with \$90.00 in the bank and lots of ideas as to how to make money which was used at the end of the year to buy a piano for the County Infirmary.

Having bridge parties for money occupied the chapter during part of the year of 1931. With their money they bought forty-eight earphones for the Irene Byron Sanatorium. The chapter now numbered forty-three active members and nine pledges. With Jane Duemling as president, the chapter really had an active year. In addition to the earphones, they pledged \$100.00 to the Community Chest and gave \$50.00 to the Y. W. C. A. In addition, they raised the treasury to \$260.00. In March of this year, they discussed and voted upon Camp Christmas Seal as a charity project. This summer camp for underprivileged children of the city operated by the Anti-Tuberculosis Association, occupied Pi Chapter's interest and efforts for a decade. In June of this same year Ann Duemling was elected National Grand President.

In 1932, the year started out with a book rental and cheese gift box sale as fund raising projects, and the treasury reached an all-time low of \$12.36. However, we finished the year with \$419.00 frozen in the bank, and \$148 accessible. We pledged Camp Christmas Seal \$375.00 when the banks opened in addition to \$125.00 in cash.

The following year the members worked at raffles, style show and lecture to raise \$300.00 by June of 1933. This year they sent a delegation to East Chicago to install a chapter.

In 1934, they introduced the annual charity ball at Christmas time as a fund raising and fun-having project. With \$1,000.00 in the bank, they entered the big time fund-raising field and brought Amelia Earhart to Fort Wayne for a lecture. The following year the chapter brought Secretary of Labor Frances Perkins for another lecture, and while this was an educational and cultural success, it raised the treasury by a mere \$100.00.

The next year started with Irene Castle and a style show at Wolf and Dessauer's. This being the year of the flood, we contributed \$50.00 to the flood relief and an additional \$25.00 to the Jeffersonville Psi Otes.

In 1937, we made our first venture with the Fort Wayne Charity Horse Show Association as a sponsoring group. This activity has since become a major fund-raising project of Pi Chapter.

It was in this year that the group determined a policy for the future growth of the chapter. It was decided that when the membership reached sixty, a plan of re-organization in which two groups

would be formed within one chapter, would be instituted.

In 1941 the chapter was divided into two groups, the Junior and Senior, with a co-ordinating board of directors composed of officers and heads of standing committees. The chapter functions as a single entity, working as one on all projects, fund-raising and charity. Each meets separately on the same night, and every third meeting it is endeavored to have a joint meeting. There is a single slate of officers, with the vice president serving as the executive of the Senior group. This group also has an assistant secretary and treasurer. While the separation plan as devised by Pi Chapter has its faults, to be sure, in the main it has been successful and certainly has since 1941 gone on to greater glory as an active and outstanding organization of the city.

In June of 1941, the chapter, with the help of Delta Gamma, of Fort Wayne, entertained the national Psi Iota Xi convention at the Spink-Wawasee Hotel at Lake Wawasee. This year also the chapter spent \$500.00 for improvements at Camp Christmas Seal and to employ a nurse for the camp. At this time, Louise Wilkins, a Pi Chapter member, was elected to head Camp Christmas Seal, the first time a woman was named to this post in Fort Wayne.

A special paragraph might be in order to recognize the two large scale building programs carried on at Camp Christmas Seal during this time. Each took a period of years and totaled \$2,000 each. The chapter first built a dormitory and bath house for the Camp and dedicated this in 1935. They undertook a remodeling project for an additional \$2,000 to modernize and equip the kitchen and construct a new dining room. This project was finished in 1941. During this period the chapter in addition provided for many current needs of the Camp from year to year.

During these years, while the chapter's main interest was Camp Christmas Seal, they continued to help other smaller projects, such as the Needlework Guild, Fort Wayne Art School, Red Cross and similar funds. In 1942, they contributed over \$500.00 to the Red Cross. This year also, the chapter donated \$2,500.00 to the Army Emergency Fund, which represented our portion of the proceeds of the Charity Horse Show. During the war years, the chapter aided in many ways various war efforts.

In 1943, the group entered its second decade of support of Camp Christmas Seal with a donation of \$500.00, bringing its total contribution to the Camp to over \$8,000.00. When Camp Christmas Seal was abandoned as a summer camp for underprivileged children of the city, Pi Chapter was left without a pet charity project, but not for long.

The Camp was closed in 1943, so the following sorority year of 1944-45, Pi Chapter raised \$1,200.00 to finance a survey of Fort Wayne's present and future needs in the recreational field. The greatest part of this money was raised by sponsoring a Zollner Piston Basketball game. This marked the entrance of Pi Chapter into the field of community recreation and during the next six years, \$11,000 was spent for the improvement of recreational facilities in the city. For this activity we were awarded the 1949-50 coveted Governor's Award for outstanding work in the State of Indiana in the field of recreation. This marked the first time that this award was given to an organization rather than to an individual, and we were indeed proud to bring this honor to Psi Ote. The chapter's record, on which the Governor's honor was based, started with a contribution of \$566.00 to furnish a library at Jefferson Center, the city's first downtown recreational center established in a one-time junior high school building. In 1945 and 1946 they spent \$1,000 each summer to provide trained leadership at Franke Park as a demonstration day camp program. This was established on the site of old Camp Christmas Seal. In 1947-48 \$2,200 was spent to furnish and decorate the McCulloch Community Center, which the City Park Board built at the cost of \$62,000 to provide a recreational center in the negro section of the city. This center is considered one of the outstanding inter-racial community centers of the state.

In 1948-49, the chapter undertook a major building program to remodel the two-story frame house on the site of Camp Christmas Seal and convert it into a year-round youth recreational center, to give the city of Fort Wayne its second winterized recreational center available to groups for meetings and parties twelve months out of the year. An additional \$1,000 was spent this year to furnish the center, which was named the Psi Iota Xi House by the Park Board in recognition of Pi Chapter's work in recreation in Fort Wayne.

The "Psi Ote House," as it is commonly known, is a remodeled two-story frame residence, in the second story of which the caretaker's apartment is established. On the first floor is the recreational center, consisting of a living room with a large fireplace, a long glassed-in solarium, modern kitchen with electric stove and refrigerator, two lavatories, and a store room. The center readily accommodates upwards to 100 persons, and Pi Chapter has had many of its joint meetings there since it was dedicated in December of 1949. The center is located in Franke Park, which has been developed into one of the city's outstanding parks, including, in addition to a well-developed winter sports area,

a large man-made lake and a \$150,000 News-Sentinel out-door theatre presented to the city by one of our own members, Helene Foellinger, publisher of the News-Sentinel, in memory of her father.

This past June, Pi Chapter added another milestone to its career when it constructed a large hard-surfaced area in Foster Park at a cost of approximately \$1,000.00. The area is being used this summer for free public weekly square dances under the auspices of Wolf and Dessauer Department Store and the Fort Wayne Park Board. The dances attract four to five thousand persons weekly and are considered one of the outstanding recreational activities of the city during the summer months. The surface measures 100 by 110 square feet and is adaptable for many other uses such as outdoor roller skating, miniature racing, court games and exhibitions of all kinds.

In addition to its interest in recreation, Pi Chapter also contributes to and supports the Fort Wayne Philharmonic Orchestra, contributes to many fund drives and recently pledged \$1,200.00 to the new Parkview Memorial Hospital fund.

To raise these sums, the chapter annually sponsors the Fort Wayne Charity Horse Show along with three other philanthropic organizations, an annual charity dance during the Christmas holidays, rummage sales, special raffles, and so forth. In 1948, we sponsored the First Piano Quartet's initial appearance in Fort Wayne and realized over \$1500.00. The group is returning the Quartet to Fort Wayne this fall for a second appearance. A new and enjoyable project introduced last year and to be repeated again this year is the sponsoring of the Fort Wayne Antique Show.

All of Pi Chapter's activities are not confined to fund-raising and spending. Each year the program of meetings includes parties and fun as well as many interesting cultural and educational talks and demonstrations. Pi Chapter is a group which derives pleasure from working together and playing together. A unique feature of the Chapter is the age span of the members, the Junior and Senior groups enjoying the association of one another. It is one of the few organizations, and certainly the city's outstanding one, in which mother-daughter teams work side by side in accomplishments.

Miss Jean O'Rourke, Northern Province chairman for last year, was named on the publicity committee for the Women's Committee of the Philharmonic Orchestra at Fort Wayne and served as one of the hostesses for the opening reception at which time Igor Buketoff discussed the music to be played at the opening concert in October.

PI Chapter 30 Years Ago

(Editor's Note: The following reports were taken from the 1920 Helicon, the issue following the installation of Pi chapter.)

EXTENSION Pi Chapter

The Pi Chapter of Psi Iota Xi was installed at Fort Wayne, August 9, 1919. The grand officers present at the installation were: Harriett Bowman, Alpha, Grand President; Margaret Meck Matthews, Kappa, Grand Vice President; Sarah Jackson Clark, Alpha, Grand Secretary; Burton Sickles, Rho, Grand Conductress; Margaret Robison, Sigma, Grand Treasurer, was unable to attend, so Luella Morrison, Alpha, was appointed to take her place; Ruth Miller, Rho, also assisted.

The officers were entertained at the Anthony Hotel. They were taken to the home of Margaret Strieder where the examination was held in the afternoon. The girls were 100 per cent efficient in the Constitution drill. For dinner, they were taken downtown to the Wolf and Dessauer tea room. The table was beautifully decorated in blue and gold flowers, and the place cards were hand painted diamond-shaped cards in blue and gold.

After dinner, they returned to the Strieder home where the ritual was given most impressively. The candidates had several clever songs which they had written. If you want good songs for some sorority affair, write to Pi Chapter and they can help you out.

Sarah J. Clark, Alpha.

On October 23, 1944, Pi Chapter celebrated its twenty-fifth anniversary with a dinner and program. The picture was taken at the party.

Top row: L. to r. Judy Grosvenor, Helen Martin, Virginia Ruhl, Florence Bash, Alice Thompson, Dorothea Wilkens, Alice Flick, Helen Miller, Ann Bartholomew, Joan Curdes, Hilda Margaret Spangie, June Archibald, Clare McDarby, Loretta Foellinger, Helene Foellinger.

Second row down: L. to r. Geraldine Zent, Jane McKay, Wilma Helmke, Jane McBride, Mary Jeannette Wilcutts, Irene Saylor, Jess Hull, Nancy Kent, Louise Druhot, Margaret Walker, Edith Waterfield, Valette Wilkens, Ruth Hunt, Pauline Boerger, Marie Miller, Mary Heine.

Third row down: L. to r. Kathleen Burris, Isobel Wilkinson, Gladys Becker, Lo Young, Peg Smith, Martha Kruse, Meribah Ingham, Mary Zent, Vic Gross, Frances McMahon, Mary DeWald, Lois Rea, Marian Bash, Phyllis Guillot, Marion Cherry.

Floor: Nan O'Rourke, Dorothy Nossert, Beverly Griffith, June Enoch, Marilyn Young, Helen Schilling, Ellen McKay, Virginia Wilkinson, Elizabeth Pettit, Marilyn Porter, Jean O'Rourke.

Not present when picture was taken: Edith Curdes, Jane Duemling, Ethel Kuntz, Bea Andrews, Kay Feustel, Peggy Johnson, Katherine Kuntz, Katherine Smart, Neva Guillot, Vera May Hathaway.



PI NEWS LETTER, 1920

In the spring of the year 1919, a young student came home from her sojourn at "Indiana U." and suggested that there be established in Fort Wayne, a chapter of Psi Iota Xi.

Application for a charter was made and thereupon we were notified that a book be compiled showing statistics regarding our moral and social life, and incidentally, our physical contours. Thus came the necessity of borrowing automobiles; the gaining of permission from our neighbors to use their houses as backgrounds in our kodak pictures; the inveigling of politicians, lawyers and their mutual friends into writing recommendations for us.

As a guide in the making of our book, we referred to that submitted by Tau Chapter. We discovered that they possessed an organization before affiliating themselves with Psi Iota Xi. Thereupon we decided that we must at once organize and give unto ourselves a name. A book containing Japanese names was found. Although the Japanese word for dandelion is much more musical in sound than that standing for chrysanthemum, nevertheless, we chose the latter since its social standing in the floral world is so much higher than that of the insignificant dandelion. Thus originated our former name, O Ki Ku.

Our recommendations from our politicians, lawyers, and their mutual friends were so convincing that we did not experience the customary inspection of our moral and social strata. However, these had no effect upon the examination which was given to us at the installation of our chapter. The only thing that made it possible for Pi Chapter to become a reality was the fact that arithmetic had not at that time been added to the curriculum. Altogether, the standing of Pi in the examination would compare favorably with that of a high grade moron.

In the fall we received a letter suggesting the topics that might be used in preparing our literary program. Our program committee was very careful to consider the temperament and aura of each individual before assigning a special subject to that person; a girl, who was forced early into the industrial ranks, was given the subject "Child Labor", another, who occupies at least one hour of the day traveling by street car, received the topic, "Art in Advertising", while still another, Hilda Schwehn, by name, was given the subject, "Maeterlink," because of her French descent.

Our social life reminds one of the Lenten season, very quiet but at times surprising. Our charitable efforts have

been extended only to our immediate vicinity. At the present time, with our dues to the Grand Treasurer unpaid and a dance materializing upon May the third, premonitions of bankruptcy are frequently felt.

We are so very, very young that our inactive membership consists of just one member — our former president, Mrs. George Rogers (nee Velma Grosjean) who is living at Decatur, Illinois. Our active members are fourteen strong with a reserve of two pledges.

So far this year we have had no mentality test, but hope to raise considerably our standard of last summer by having taken in girls of supreme mental capacity. Not long ago one of these superfine creatures remarked, "I don't believe in the 'shimmee' but it's lots of fun to do."

Continued next year.

Mary E. Zent, Chapter Editor.

FORT WAYNE PHILHARMONIC RECEIVES ENDOWMENT CHECK

On Friday, September 23, 1950, Mrs. J. D. Young, on behalf of the state Psi Iota Xi, presented a check to the Fort Wayne Philharmonic Orchestra, part of the annual interest accrued on the National Symphony Endowment Fund.

Psi Iota Xi established its symphony fund in 1945 and the interest each year has always been used for the support of the Indianapolis orchestra. This marks the first year that another Indiana symphonic organization has been recognized and the money divided.

While the interest on the \$10,000 trust fund is still small, less than \$100, the endowment is steadily being increased by an annual \$500 grant from the national Psi Iota Xi treasury as well as by gifts from chapters and individual Psi Iota Xi members throughout the state. It is hoped that the fund will reach such proportions that the annual interest will give sizable support to Indiana symphonies.

Roger Hall, business manager, in accepting the check expressed his and the orchestra's appreciation, saying he felt the Philharmonic was indeed honored to be the first orchestra in Indiana outside Indianapolis whose work had been recognized by Psi Iota Xi Sorority.

Present also when the check was presented was Mrs. Dorothy Foster of Rushville, national symphony chairman of Psi Iota Xi; Mrs. William Willcutts, Fort Wayne Pi Chapter president, and Mrs. D. V. Hull, Pi Chapter symphony chairman and president of the Philharmonic Women's Committee.

Right—Taken at the Psi Ote House in Fort Wayne at Pi Chapter's closing picnic of the year are, left to right: Mrs. Donald Fleming, new Pi Chapter president; Miss Jean O'Rourke, Northern Province Chairman for the past year and new vice-president of Pi Chapter and Mrs. William A. Willcutts, retiring president.



Pictured here at the dedication of Psi Ote House are officers of Pi Chapter and city officials. Seated are Mrs. William A. Willcutts, 1949-50 president of the chapter, and the Honorable Henry J. Branning, Mayor of Fort Wayne, holding the dedicatory plaque. Members of Fort Wayne's Board of Park Commissioners under whose jurisdiction Psi Ote House is operated and other officers of the chapter are standing. They are left to right: Byron Novitsky, Mrs. J. Howard Wilkens, 1949-50 vice-president, Mrs. Richard Stauffer, 1948-1949 president, Mrs. Ray Druhot, 1948-49 vice-president, Trygve Storm and Fred B. Shoaff. The Psi Ote House project was started and completed over a two-year period, so both sets of officers pictured were instrumental in the completion of the project.



Here is another interior view of Psi Ote House showing the living room and a portion of the long sun porch.

Interior view of Psi Ote House in Franke Park showing the living room looking toward the kitchen.



Mrs. William A. Willcutts, 1949-50 president of Pi Chapter of Fort Wayne is shown here receiving the Governor's citation for outstanding work in recreation in Indiana for the chapter. On the left is George C. Wright, chairman of the Indiana Economic Council, and on the right is Dr. Garrett Eppley, of Indiana University. This picture which was taken at the Governor's conference on recreation in Indianapolis, appeared in the Indianapolis News.

Fort Wayne's Pi Chapter of Psi Iota Xi was awarded one of Indiana Economic Council's coveted citations for outstanding contributions in the field of recreation. The award was made at the fourth annual Governor's Conference on Recreation at Indianapolis.

The chapter received the citation for its activity in establishing the Psi Ote House at Franke Park, at Fort Wayne, and for its many other contributions to the recreational program in that city.

During the six-year period since 1944, the organization has spent \$10,966 for the improvement of Fort Wayne's recreational facilities and prior to 1944, it spent \$5,000 for the support of Camp Christmas Seal, a summer camp for under-privileged children.

The sorority chapter also aided in furnishing and decorating two community centers and was instrumental in establishing a municipal recreation program at Vincennes.

Pi Chapter has its work cut out for a while with its Charity Horse Show, Antique Show and the First Piano Quartet, all scheduled in the fall activities.



Northern Province

KAPPA CHAPTER

Kokomo, Indiana

OFFICERS

President.....Hester Jessup (Mrs. John)
Vice President

Martha Jane Weaver (Mrs. Jacque)

Secretary.....Jane Fritzlen (Mrs. Glenn)

Cor. Secy.....Helen Barr (Mrs. John K.)

Treasurer.....Barbara Cameron (Mrs. Ray)

Conductress

Cecilia Harness (Mrs. Robert)

Sergeant-at-arms

Loretta Wilson (Mrs. William)

NEWS LETTER

Entertaining and constructive activities have been enjoyed by 84 active members of Kappa Chapter under the leadership of our president, Barbara Frack.

During the past year there were many well planned social meetings which took great effort on the part of the chairmen, and enthusiastic support of committee members.

The fall season started with a clever back to school party, with members appropriately dressed. Later, there was a hayride, and a barn dance to which we invited our husbands to learn the art of square dancing.

In December the actives, inactives and associates with our guests enjoyed a delightful Christmas party. This was highlighted by a program by the Kokomo High School Choir.

The holiday season started merrily with our formal dance on December 23 at the National Guard Armory.

After the New Year, we had a chop suey supper followed by initiation for eight new girls. We invited our husbands for a pot luck supper on Valentine's Day and they were named auxiliary members and requested to hold a model meeting. Their spontaneous mock meeting was really hilarious.

Our spring guest party was held at the First Congregational Church which was transformed into a blooming flower garden complete with white picket fence, tulips and spring flowers. This was attended by 112 actives, inactives, associates and guests. The entertainment consisted of a series of funny sketches depicting a day in a radio station. We were ably assisted in this program by some of our husbands.

On Mother's Day, the mothers and daughters of the active and associate chapters were honored at a tea at the home of Mrs. Alden P. Chester.

Our pledge tea for fifteen new members was held at the home of Mrs. Rus-



MARY TYNDALL
Northern Province Chairman

Mary Tyndall was initiated into Alpha Delta of Decatur in 1925. She was graduated from the Indiana University School for Nurses in 1928 and while serving as night supervisor in the Huntington Hospital, attended Phi Chapter meetings. While employed on the staff of Visiting Nurse League in Fort Wayne, she affiliated with Delta Gamma.

She was married in 1931 to Ralph Tyndall, partner in the Masterson and Tyndall Clothing Company and went to Bluffton to live. She has been an active member of Alpha Eta Chapter since that time and has held the offices of vice president and president.

She is the mother of a young son, Phillip, and a daughter, Joyce, a senior in the local high school, and still finds time to serve on various committees of the community and the First Methodist Church.

sell Humphrey, and formal initiation for these girls was held at the First Congregational Church. The services were particularly impressive because it was the first time we used our new robes in the ritual.

Sounds like fun? It all was, but of course we had to do some work, too. As always, we needed money to carry on our charitable enterprises!

Our chief project, the Juvenile Home, is three years old now. It is still filling a definite need in the community by furnishing the friendly environment of a private home instead of the county jail to children who are awaiting appearance in court. We have also furnished dental care to indigent school children. Then, too, Kappa Chapter has responded generously to all local drives. At commencement exercises at Kokomo High School, Kappa Chapter presented a graduating girl with a \$100.00 scholarship.

To finance these projects we started the year with a rummage sale. This was so successful that we had one in the spring also. Our blanket club might have been a bookkeeping headache to Mary Alice Arrington, the chairman, but it was a definite financial success with some 400 sold. The sale of Christmas door hangers was also a financial success. This spring we co-operated with the Lions Club to bring the Purdue Varsity Glee Club to Kokomo. This added to the treasury of both organizations, as well as providing a sparkling musical evening for all who attended. Plans have already been made for a repeat performance next year.

This past year a Panhellenic Council of Kokomo sororities was formed, under the sponsorship of Kappa Chapter. Its purpose is to discuss sorority problems, projects, and rushing. Mary Krebsler of Kappa served as president of the council this year.

We review the past year with a nostalgic feeling and say "Thank you" to Barbara Frack for a job well done. At the same time, we look forward with renewed ambition to next year, and say "Welcome" to Hester Jessup as president.

Marriages: Charlene Rice to William Roler, Jr., Colleen William to Samuel Earle, Connie Cunningham to Donald Robeson.

Deaths: Mrs. Thomas Parker Haywood (Mary Caroline Ingels).

New Members: Joan Lacey (Mrs. Leroy, Jr.), Mary Esther Michener (Mrs. Richard), Mary Jane Murray (Mrs. Ernest), Juliana Mehlig (Mrs. R. B., Jr.), Ruth Gosma (Mrs. John), Audrey Link (Mrs. Richard), Ellyeen Workman (Mrs. John), Elizabeth Rose, Joan Merrill, Jean Zimmerer, Mary Ann Hamlin, Mary Louise Granson, Shirley Trimble, Merry Ann Chester, Cynthia Gift, Dixie Scott, Marylee Maher, Betty Greengard, Elizabeth Krhin, Bertha Ruzicka, Rita Over-

holser, Suzanne Matlock, Mary Lee Somers.

Births: To Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Moore (Barbara McCurdy), a girl; to Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Petro (Shirley Hendricks), a girl; to Mr. and Mrs. Hal Roberts (Patty Kelvie), a boy; to Mr. and Mrs. Max Shirley (Mary Eileen Chaffin), a boy; to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kilcline, Jr. (Marjorie Hunneshagen), a boy; to Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Mehlig, Jr. (Juliana Hamp), a girl; to Mr. and Mrs. James Mitchell (Mary Elizabeth Donnell), a girl; to Mr. and Mrs. Richard Siefken (Dorothy Warden), a boy; to Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Edwards (Joan Life), a girl.

RHO CHAPTER

Angola, Indiana

OFFICERS

President.....	Mrs. Robert Bledsoe
Vice President.....	Mrs. Charles Buse
Secretary.....	Mrs. Donald Mason
Cor. Secy.....	Mrs. Leland Nedele
Treasurer.....	Miss Helen Casebeer

NEWS LETTER

Our last summer's activities were reported in the last edition of the Helicon, so we'll begin by recalling our Halloween rush party, with a circus theme. The circus was complete from peanuts to sideshow freaks — we were even entertained by a circus band. Prizes were awarded to the "bearded lady," the huge two-headed lady, the Siamese twins, the tattooed lady, and the big fat clown. We were fascinated by black magic, and tried our hands at inventing something original from crepe paper, pins and an embroidery hoop, at which task several of the girls proved to be very clever.

We held formal initiation for four new members in December at the home of Mrs. Henry Willis, and were then entertained by a hilarious skit given by these girls.

Our Christmas formal dance was a great success. It was the first big party we had had in several years, and all the members were really in the mood, old and new alike! The annual Christmas pot-luck was held at Grace Williamson's. This is always a grand get-together, with all the girls home from college, and other guests here for the holidays. Our charity committee deserves credit for fixing Christmas baskets for ten needy families. These included food, clothing, and toys for forty-seven children. This year one of our Psi Ote husbands, Russell Jackson, started a worthy project of repairing donated toys which were distributed to over a hundred twenty-five children. He was aided by many volunteers, and we helped wherever possible.

In February we sponsored a home-decorating course, given by Richard

Hodges Allen, of New York City, which proved very interesting and helpful.

One of our nicest musical programs this year was given by our Psi Ote daughters, who sang, danced, and presented several piano and flute solos. They varied in age from the kindergarten group to the high school group, and we were very proud of them all.

A "Backwards Party" was given for our spring rushees. It turned out to be very "backwards," and was enjoyed by all.

We always look forward to inviting all our mothers to our Mother's Day dinner, which was held at Potowatomi Inn this year.

Throughout the year we have donated to all the national and local drives for funds, and solicited the residential district of Angola for Red Cross. We have sponsored the Campfire Girls, and are proud they have such a fine group organized. We sent three children to Ball State Speech and Hearing Clinic, in April. Rho Chapter again awarded a music scholarship to Michigan State College, for the three weeks' summer course. This is awarded to a high-school student carefully chosen by our music committee with the help of the school music instructors. It has been greatly appreciated and we feel we are doing something worthwhile for our music students.

New Members: Lucy Aldrich, Helen Casebeer, Mildred Barton, and Miriam Hartman.

Pledges: Jean Williamson, Sally Williamson, and Nancy Sutton.

Engagements: Phyllis Ryan to Robert Guiher, Mary Ellen Redding to Robert Hemrick.

Marriages: Sue Meyer to Robert Summers, Barbara Sanders to Robert Hutmacher, Mary Ann Williamson to Ralph Gunsenhouser, Mari-Jean Cheddick to Don Wilfong, Margaret Fletter to Roy Bledsoe, Barbara Brattom to Carlos Randolph, Patricia Randolph to Robert Niedernhofer.

Births: To Mr. and Mrs. John McBride, a daughter, Wendy Jean; to Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Curme, a daughter, Lizabeth Jane; to Dr. and Mrs. Norman W. Rausch, a son, Dennis Carl; to Mr. and Mrs. Richard Bartrom, a daughter, Deborah Kay; to Mr. and Mrs. Earl Sharow, a son, Gregory Lew; to Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Sassaman, a son, Gregory Helme.

Rho Chapter deeply regrets the loss of Lucy Rhoadarmer Aldrich, who had endeared herself to all of us, with her charming personality, altho she was one of our newest members.

Members of Rho Chapter sympathize with Helen Collett Owens, in the death of her husband, Norris Owens.

PI CHAPTER

Fort Wayne, Indiana

OFFICERS

President.....	Mrs. Donald Fleming
Vice President.....	Jean O'Rourke
Rec. Secy.....	Mrs. David Saylor (Junior Group)
	Mrs. David Bash (Senior Group)
Cor. Secy.....	Nan O'Rourke
Treas.....	Mrs. Mickey Miller (Junior Group)
	Mrs. Gerald Zent (Senior Group)
Conductress.....	Mrs. Byron Hayes
Member-at-large.....	Mrs. Robert Wilkins
Historian.....	Gladys Becker

NEWS LETTER

This was a very busy year for Pi Chapter with members of the executive board spending many long hours through the summer months working on plans for the coming year.

Our participation in the Annual Charity Horse Show usually opens our year's activities even though it falls before our opening fall meeting. Many hours were spent selling advertising, selling tickets, and getting the grounds in order prior to the opening of the show. During the two-day show, we serve as hostesses and sell programs. This year we were happy to be able to provide tickets and transportation for sixty children from various orphanages to attend the Saturday afternoon performance. The day's outing was complete with refreshments provided by the father of one of our Psi Otes.

The opening meeting of the year was an outstanding one with seven pledges initiated. The following week we were hostesses for the Northern Province meeting with our own Jean O'Rourke, Northern Province chairman, as chair-



Three Grand Council members en route to Bloomington to visit Speech and Hearing Clinic and attend "Parsifal." L. to r. Roweta Clark, Dorothy Foster, and Earlyn Young.

man of the meeting. It was lots of fun and we felt all chapters profited by the exchange of information and ideas.

Our first attempt at sponsoring an antique show was a huge success. Everyone worked very hard selling tickets, cooking, and baking for four days. We were gratified with the results of our efforts when we cleared a very nice profit. We expect to make this an annual project.

Our annual Christmas dance was the highlight during the holidays, affording some much needed relaxation from our many fall activities.

Due to the fine efforts of our program chairmen, we had a varied program through the year which proved very worthwhile and helpful. This year we used quite a good deal of talent within our own chapter which we all enjoyed.

Numerous small money-making projects such as a quilt raffle, aplet sale, rummage sale, etc., were carried out through the year to help swell our charity fund.

Pi Chapter was honored by receiving an award from the Governor and bringing home the symphony cup from convention. Our largest charity donation for the year was spent in furnishing another recreation center which was named "The Psi Ote House" by the Ft. Wayne Park Board.

This was indeed a busy and fruitful year, for along with our many activities we had fourteen new babies and five weddings within our group.

Marriages: Jeanne W. Wheatley to Leroy E. Koranda, Helen Kelly to Ben GuiQuinta, Janet Rea to William Slater, Nancy Saylor to Carl C. Crell, Margaret Kuntz to Paul Scheele.

PHI CHAPTER

Huntington, Indiana

OFFICERS

President	Mrs. W. F. Schacht, II
Vice President	Mrs. Robert Powers
Corresponding Sec.	Mrs. B. Thomas May
Recording Sec.	Mrs. Marvin Rich
Treasurer	Mrs. W. D. Nevins
Conductress	Mrs. Howard Stewart
Reporter	Mrs. William Daley
Symphony Chr.	Mrs. Richard Schenkil
Girl Scout Chr.	Mrs. Marvin Rich
Advisor	Mrs. Robert Endsley

NEWS LETTER

Our formal initiation was held at the lovely country home of Miss Alice Kline, honorary member. A beautiful outdoor candlelight ceremony took place.

The twenty-ninth anniversary dinner party was held at the LaFontaine Country Club. Bridge and canasta completed the evening's program.

Phi Chapter has had several interesting money making projects of the year,

including our Thrift Shop, bake sales, rummage sale, selling cook-books, our annual Thanksgiving formal dance held at the LaFontaine Hotel, canasta card party, and selling tickets for the Sinfonietta. The last named is a group of twenty-eight top musicians from the Fort Wayne Philharmonic who presented a program at the Huntington Township gymnasium.

We donated to the Red Cross, Cancer Fund, Community Chest, Infantile Paralysis Fund, Federated Clubs for Walkers, Tuberculosis Fund, Needlework Guild, Symphony Maintenance Fund, and we sponsor a Girl Scout troop. We collected old decks of cards to be given to the Veterans' Hospital, Marion, Indiana, where we are now presenting, also, an entertainment program once a month.

We have just completed a project on a \$650 modern iceless oxygen tent which has been presented to the Huntington County Hospital.

New members: Miss Susie Briggs, Miss Elizabeth Webster, Mrs. Robert Hoover, and Mrs. Ed Wasmuth.

CHI CHAPTER

Brookston, Indiana

OFFICERS

President.....	Bethel Hughes (Mrs. John)
Vice President	
	Yvonne Halstead (Mrs. F. G.)
Secretary.....	Eleanor Oilar (Mrs. Harry)
Treasurer.....	Doris Jean Schrader
Cor. Secy.	Gloria Erickson (Mrs. John)

NEWS LETTER

"Use what talents you possess; the woods would be very silent if no birds sang but those which sang the best."

The motto above in our program has helped us through a busy and enjoyable time, for no member of Chi Chapter has been idle during the past year.

The year began with a division of members into four groups for the purpose of competition in making money. The contest began with a community sale in August, and continued through the year. Other projects were a public fish fry, telephone bridge parties, sale of kitchen knives, and sale of pottery. At the close of the contest a dinner was given for the winning group at Roth Park Hotel by the three losing groups.

Popping corn during the summer months at free movies and ball games continued as a money making project. We also conducted food sales at each meeting, a group of six members, contributing something each time.

In charity work we contributed to hot lunches at school, gave to the Girl Scouts, infantile paralysis fund, Red Cross, and tuberculosis fund. We gave money to the fund for the recreational



Members of Chi Chapter, Brookston, hostess for 1950 Convention.

program for the summer months which was sponsored by the town. We have continued to send boxes of clothing to our adopted family in Belgium. We gave our annual \$5 award in English to a senior girl. At Christmas time cheer baskets were sent to needy and deserving ones.

Our social activities began with a picnic at the home of our president, Marie North, followed by a kid party at the Community House. Dinners for eight were held in various homes, with eight in each group and a get-together for stunts later. Other social activities were the Christmas party and the men's party. The Mother's Day meeting was open to guests, when Mrs. Hartsell of the Purdue Story Tellers Club in West Lafayette entertained the group.

Of course, all through the year the thread of plans for convention was constantly in our minds. Gradually the weaving began, and after our meeting with members of Grand Council in March the picture became more clear. Plans began to take shape, and everyone worked with a will to "use what talents she possessed" to make convention worthwhile. Now that it is over and we look back upon the picture, we realize the year was filled with many happy and enjoyable associations as we worked and played together. May we look forward to another year as happy and successful as this one has been.

Marriages: Maxine Beeker to William Frey, Sept. 11, 1949; Melva Mae Hughes to Glen Dorton, Nov. 13, 1949.

Births: To Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hughes, a daughter, Jan Elaine, Dec. 13, 1949; to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wynkoop, a son, Eric Allen, Feb. 13, 1950; to Mr. and Mrs. Albert Biddle, a daughter, Ellen Marie, May 16, 1950; to Mr. and Mrs. Richard Ward, a son, Harry James, May 22, 1950.

ALPHA DELTA CHAPTER

Decatur, Indiana

OFFICERS

President	Marian Koontz
Vice President	Alice Roth
Secretary	Margene Bauer
Cor. Secy.	Colleen Linn (Mrs. Richard)
Treasurer	Phyllis Kraft
Assistant Treasurer	Sara Collier (Mrs. Doyle)
Press Reporter	Edith Deitsch (Mrs. Forrest)

NEWS LETTER

September found Alpha Delta members together again after summer vacation. Our member, Janet Schrock, had just returned from a trip to Europe and she gave us a story of the highlights of her trip. We will always remember Paris night clubs. Mrs. Hugh Andrews gave a picturesque description of her tour of Old Mexico.

No broken bones were reported at the October skating party. We learned to play canasta having able instructors and time for a lovely Christmas dinner.

The dull month of January, representatives of the Civic Theatre pre-

sented a hilarious comedy, "Life With Father." February the bridge and canasta enthusiasts not only won prizes but also had fun. March, "come as you are" party with a pot-luck dinner, was a huge success. In April we entertained all the senior girls of the high schools of Decatur. "Junior Miss America," Miss Carolyn Rudy of Bluffton, thrilled everyone with her talent and charm.

Our money-making activities started with a game stand at the street fair. Regardless of polio and cold weather, we profitted to the tune of \$360. Later, we had a rummage sale, a bake sale, and sales of Christmas door hangers and magazines that proved successful.

Alpha Delta was proud to pledge \$1,500.00 to be paid over a period of three years to the Community Center Building Fund. Our charity program consisted of donations to the Polio fund, Health Bond, Crippled Children, Red Cross, Fort Wayne Symphony, Speech and Hearing, and Hoosier Salon.

Alpha Delta is looking forward to a year of social development as well as furthering our charitable enterprises.

New Members: Kay Alberson (transferred from Portland), Jane Brumley, Phyllis Cohler, Colleen Heller (Mrs. Jack), Carol Wolfsen (Mrs. Glen), Joan Lutes (Mrs. Tom), Helen Rydell (Mrs. Eugene).

Pledge: Mrs. Jack Knudsen.

Marriages: Dorothy Kohler to Don Kirsch, Clarice Anspaugh to Ted Hill, Donna Jaberg to LaVerne Roth, Christine Strike to Victor Porter.

ALPHA ETA CHAPTER

Bluffton, Indiana

OFFICERS

President.....	Mrs. Joseph Huffman
Vice President.....	Mrs. Robert Fritz
Secretary.....	Miss Evelyn Haflich
Treasurer.....	Mrs. Claude Decker
Cor. Secy.....	Mrs. Eugene McCord
Conductress.....	Mrs. John Thompson
Officers' Advisor.....	Mrs. Dwight Gallivan

NEWS LETTER

Our chapter doesn't do things by halves, but by doubles. Our president, Mary Gallivan (Mrs. Dwight), had a baby daughter in March and our vice president, Dorothy Huffman (Mrs. Joseph) had a daughter to graduate from high school in June. But everything became smooth sailing when Dorothy, installed as president at the pledge party, initiated her daughter, Barbara, along with six other fine girls, among them being Carolyn Rudy, Junior Miss America.

Dorothy's sister-in-law, our Grand President, Mary Anne Reed, was here to pin the girls and all of us were proud to welcome Mary Anne to her home chapter, as she was initiated here in 1937. Our

other new members are Carol Faus, Peggy Bayless, Clarissa King (Mrs. Nile), Barbara Lockwood (Mrs. Cecil), Betty Yule (Mrs. William), Ina Claire Roof (Mrs. Dean), and those initiated at Christmas: Ruth Venis (Mrs. Robert), Lou Reber (Mrs. Lou), Harriett Tirman (Mrs. Wallace), Patricia Higgins (Mrs. James), and Doris Neuhauser (Mrs. Clyde).

Our Williamson "doubles" Dorothy Williamson (Mrs. F. M.), and Betty Williamson (Mrs. George) were chairmen of able committees that cleared nearly \$700 for us at the Bluffton Free Street Fair, sponsoring games, a concession at industrial tent and exhibiting a miniature street fair assembled and given to us by one of our honorary members, Golda Goodin (Mrs. Lawrence).

Attendance was raised considerably by a PIX paper edited by Betty Lewis (Mrs. George), and mailed by Virginia Schultz (Mrs. James), before each meeting. A good attendance is necessary to attain the goals of such a charity program as we have; for example, \$500 was pledged to the Riley Hospital Research Fund after an extensive canvass of the town by all sororities; \$1250 was spent on improvements at our swimming pool; over \$50 raised by a rummage sale was



Psi Ote swimming pool at edge of Bluffton. Sorority has operated this pool on a non-profit basis for about 18 years.

donated to Infantile Paralysis. On July 17th to 19th Dr. Robert Milisen brought the Traveling Speech and Hearing Clinic to Bluffton, which meant work for committee chairman Jeanne Bynum (Mrs. Gilbert). Our treasurer, Helen Decker (Mrs. Claude) was re-elected to office after a difficult winter of revising our system of accounts.

At our high school class day, Alpha Eta makes an award of a plaque to the girl of the graduating class who has the highest scholarship. A new plaque was presented this year. We were proud that our Psi Iota Xi ring, awarded to the most outstanding junior girl to wear during her senior year, went to Helen Sutton's (Mrs. Orlen) daughter, Sharon.

Closing with a special bulletin to Northern Province. We are especially proud and happy that Mary Tyndall (Mrs. Ralph) is to be Northern Province

chairman, this year, 1950-51. She is an honorary member of our chapter and was president in 1946-47.

Marriages: Doris Ann Besore to Max Middaugh; Pauline Croy to David Gentis; Ina Claire Baird to Dean Roof.

Births: Mr. and Mrs. Dwight F. Gallivan, a daughter, Bonnie Lynn; Mr. and Mrs. Glen Graham, a daughter, Kay Jean; Dr. and Mrs. Robert Cook, a daughter, Katherine Ann; Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Reber, a son, David William.

ALPHA MU CHAPTER

Hartford City, Indiana

OFFICERS

President	Florence Emshwiller
Vice President.....	Marabelle Wesner
Treasurer	Mary Eikenbary
Secretary	Kay Bonham
Cor. Secy.	Pearl Brands
Conductress	Martha Hughes

NEWS LETTER

Our main charity project this spring was the air-conditioning of the operating and O. B. rooms in our county hospital.

Our formal initiation was held June 26 at the home of Mrs. Richard Crimmel. The new members are as follows: Miss Jayne Ann Hughes and Mrs. Ernest Chandler. Following initiation services, the new officers were installed in an impressive ceremony.

Marriages: Miss Ruth Henley to Charles W. Adams, Miss Janet Gough to William R. Kean.

Births: A daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hartzell; a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. John Maddox.

ALPHA NU CHAPTER

Markle, Indiana

OFFICERS

President.....	Mrs. Clarence Nabb
Vice President.....	Miss Gwendolyn Wilburn
Secretary.....	Miss Betty Caley
Treasurer.....	Mrs. Charles Scott
Cor. Secy.	Mrs. William Thomas
Conductress	Mrs. H. C. Woods

NEWS LETTER

In the past year Alpha Nu Chapter has carried out the regular business projects of the sorority concentrating mainly on a local project which is of interest to everyone. The Markle Conservation Club purchased the big quarry and about four acres of surrounding land south of town to be made into a park. Our sorority pledged a generous contribution of money which we plan to earn from ice cream socials this summer.

Besides our business, we had a lovely Christmas banquet and pledge service combined. It was held at the newly furnished Dutch Mill north of Bluffton with some of our older inactive members and our four pledges as guests. Candlelight and soft piano music played

by Mrs. Evelyn Belcher formed the background for the pledge services with the officers and pledges dressed in formals. Corsages and favors were made by Mrs. Dorothy Greenwalt. Some of the charter members related the founding of our chapter and reminded us that 1950 would be our 25th anniversary.

This started plans for a silver anniversary tea which was held July 25, at the home of Mrs. C. O. Thomas, a patroness of our chapter. Beautiful summer flowers were used throughout the house as the forty-six guests were greeted by the old and new officers.

Mrs. Vaughn Crow and Mrs. Irvin Wolfcale served at the tea table which was covered with an imported linen cloth having a centerpiece of blue and gold cut flowers. Mrs. Esther Pease, of Bluffton, played background music, and Mrs. Paul McGuffey, a charter member, gave the history of the Markle chapter. "The Lord's Prayer" was dedicated to Mary Zimmerlee Mills, the only deceased member, and Miss Grayce Yoos, the only charter member who had been active for twenty-five years, was presented a silver compact.

Charter members of the chapter were Mrs. Dorr Keplinger, Mrs. Paul McGuffey, Mrs. Paul Brickley, Grayce Yoos, Beth Boyd, all of Markle, Mrs. Raymond Yoos, of Indianapolis, Mrs. Harry Youse, North Webster, Mrs. Glen Gaskell, Fort Wayne; Mrs. Allen Joseph, Jasper, and Ethel Stookey, of Hammond.

At our January meeting, we heard an interesting and fascinating review of "Cheaper By the Dozen," given by Mrs. Floyd Thomas, who made the story so real that we practically lived the story as she reviewed it.

New Members: Miss Betty Caley, Miss Jane Ann Thomas, Miss Carolyn Sue Line, Mrs. Alfreada Mossburg.

Marriages: Barbara Keplinger to William Besmer; Marsha Brickley to William M. Thomas; Carolyn Sue Line to Charles Peek.

Births: To Mr. and Mrs. Pearl Spahr, a son, Hal Richard, March; to Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Ormsby, a daughter, Barbara Jill, April; to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Rando, a son, Micki Tim, May.

ALPHA XI CHAPTER

Logansport, Indiana

OFFICERS

President.....	Mrs. John Connelly
Vice President.....	Mrs. Floyd Persinger
Cor. Secy.	Mrs. Clay Morris
Secretary.....	Mrs. Joseph Uhl
Treasurer.....	Mrs. Ross Glasson
Conductress.....	Mrs. Joseph Huffman

NEWS LETTER

The Alpha Xi Chapter of Psi Iota Xi had a very lovely year. Good works were planned and accomplished and an un-

usually large amount of nice, friendly parties were enjoyed by the sorority. Emphasis was put on "home" entertaining this year and the results were most gratifying.

We were twenty-five years old this year and this celebration was one of our nicest parties. Mrs. Forest Kneisly was hostess in her newly acquired home. This is one of the old residences of Logansport and Virginia with her good taste had a wonderful place in which to entertain the sorority, for this really important event. Others on this committee were: Mrs. George Kiesling, Mrs. Floyd Persinger, Mrs. Ruth Davis, Miss Thelma Sines, Mrs. William Moore, Mrs. Melvin Greensfelder, Mrs. F. L. Stanton, and Mrs. D. W. Moody.

This was a dinner party with the dessert of individual cakes being a replica of our sorority pin. These were iced in gold and centered with a blue candle. After the dinner a large, lighted, initiation cake was brought in. The candles were blown out and the top lifted revealing a box of gaily wrapped favors. These were pencils and key chains with the crest on them. Three charter members were present, Mrs. Glenn Miller, Mrs. Gerald Scott, and Miss Harriett Huff. The latter, as the only charter member to have been active for the twenty-five years, was given a gift. Many

letters, telegrams and best wishes were sent by old members.

Miss Carolyn Welsh will be our bride for this year.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. William Hopkins.

Mrs. Kathryn Turney Garten was with us again this year. Then for further fund raising we divided our sorority into project groups. One group had a bake sale, another a book sale, another served a teachers' box supper, and another one sold chances on a merchandise certificate. All met with success and were very interesting as well.

Our pledges for this year are Miss Patty Hopkins, Miss Joan Elpers, Miss Virginia Twiss and Mrs. Harold Brinegar.

ALPHA RHO CHAPTER

Garrett, Indiana

OFFICERS

President...Mrs. Herman (Betty) Jensen
Vice President...Mrs. John (Della) Hutton
Secretary.....Mrs. Leon (Helen) Sebring
Cor. Secy.

Mrs. Harry (Pauline) Ridenour
Conductress Sarah McCarter
Ass't Conductress.....Virginia Steigmeyer

NEWS LETTER

Alpha Rho Chapter has just completed a very busy year with Milicene Haynes as president.



Birthday celebration of Alpha Xi Chapter, Logansport, held in February. Reading l. to r. Harriet Huff, Josephine Scott, charter members, Virginia Persinger, president, Margaret Miller, charter member, and Virginia Kneisly, hostess.



Marion Seifert, riding float of Alpha Rho, Garrett, in the Diamond Jubilee Celebration of the Chicago Division of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad.

As we started in September we also launched a new inactive associate chapter. The object of the group is to aid the active chapter in every way possible. The work of the group is to promote social and cultural activities. The chapter is under the supervision of the active chapter but has its own program chairman. There are thirty members in the group and they pay double dues, half of which goes to the active chapter. A Psi Ote must be forty years of age and must have given five years of satisfactory service. The members voted at their last meeting to continue the organization as their year had been very interesting and successful.

Our money making projects during the year included, the deep freeze raffle at the fall fair, the blanket club, fall dance, rummage sale, and bake sale.

The November Literary program was held at the country club. A guest speaker reviewed the book "Cheaper by the Dozen."

At our annual Christmas party Rev. P. Soudah, a native of Assyria, talked to us about "Christmas Customs in the Holy Land." We joined the other sororities for a formal holiday dance.

In January we had a lovely party honoring Mary Anna Hartle and Kathryn Gordon who have been Psi Otes for twenty years.

February and March were indeed busy months as we had decided to sponsor the Ft. Wayne Philharmonic Sinfonetta here in a concert March 19th. We did this as a community project, not hoping to make any money. This was a new venture and everyone who attended enjoyed it immensely. We are continually being asked if we will sponsor the group again next year.

In March our high school music director gave us an interesting music appreciation program.

In June we rented the Lake James Christian Assembly Camp for the Girl Scouts whom we sponsor. There were 64 girls and 10 adults in camp for four days.

Our annual Mother's Day party, pledge services and formal initiation concluded our year's program.

We are looking forward to having the Traveling Speech and Hearing Clinic here in August.

New Members: Phyllis Leech, Sue Ann Rowe, Patricia Steward, Mrs. Abner (Carol) Rosenberg, Mrs. Merrett (Marjorie) Stroman.

Marriages: Marilyn Brown to Franklin Bassett, Jr., Diana Hopkins to John Costin, Margaret Reynolds to Meredith Short, Fannie Mae Rowe to Norman Knapp.

Births: A son, David, to Mr. and Mrs. Walter Grueder; a daughter, Aimee Judith, to Mr. and Mrs. Roger Leeson; a daughter, Mary Beth, to Mr. and Mrs. Darrell Marr; a son, Michael, to Mr. and Mrs. Vilas Miller; a daughter, Margaret Ann, to Mr. and Mrs. Jack Moats; a son, Sanford, to Mr. and Mrs. Abner Rosenberg; a daughter, Christina, to Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Johnson.



Honorary members of Alpha Rho Chapter, Garrett, l. to r. Kathryn Gordon, Mary A. Hartle.

BETA ALPHA CHAPTER

Flora, Indiana

OFFICERS

President	Georganna Julius
Vice President.....	Joann Miller
Secretary	Eleanor Carter
Treasurer.....	Mary Jane Harter
Cor. Secy.	Helen King
Conductress.....	Ruth Ann Viney

NEWS LETTER

Beta Alpha Chapter has completed a very successful year according to the report of our executive committee, and one of the most successful seasons in the history of the sorority.

Various projects held during the year were as follows: a food stand at the fair in August, as well as the selling of tickets for the drawing of the Community Club at the fair. In October the Variety Show, "Memories," under the direction of Mrs. Rolla Brim, was given. It was at this program that the stage curtain was presented to the Community Building. This curtain project was an outstanding one, having been worked upon for a number of years. At Christmas the usual project of selling cards and wrappings and the awarding of the cedar chest took place. A market was held in May and the annual spring project consisted of selling aluminum foil. Psi Iota Xi also sponsored the Junior Music Workshop and was a patroness of the Hoosier Art Salon. Tickets to the Indianapolis Symphony were purchased and presented to Robert Meredith for use in the local school.



Mrs. Rolla Brim, director of the show "Memories" given by Beta Alpha Chapter, Flora.

Contributions were given to the Polio Research Fund, Father Flannigan's Boys' Town, the March of Dimes Drive, and Red Cross.

Local contributions to charity consisted of sending a child to Muncie to the Speech Clinic, purchasing of clothing, shoes, bedding, milk and food for several needy families, and the purchasing of glasses for a child. Cash donations were also presented to a few needy. A sum of cash was given to the local Boy Scouts to enable them to attend the Scout Jamboree at Valley Forge. Fibre rugs, chairs and a piano were purchased for the library and a new deep well for the stove there. New plastic mattress covers were bought for the Psi Ote hospital beds. Curtain protectors for the new stage curtains were bought and junior-senior class awards were presented at the school activities.

We have had some new Psi Otes added, too, a daughter to Lola Mae and Junior Harmon; a daughter to Marjorie and John Chittick; and a son, to Ruth and John Ayers.

Our chapter is starting off this fall with lots of work and pleasure ahead which we all enjoy very much.

BETA GAMMA CHAPTER

Peru, Indiana

OFFICERS

President	Virginia Guisinger
Vice President 1st.....	Betty Ann Thoennes
Vice President 2nd.....	

Rosanna Garrett (Mrs. D. E.)

Treasurer	Annabelle Esslinger
Secretary	

Mary Ellen Keel (Mrs. Glen I.)

Cor. Secy.	Marian Brauneller (Mrs. C. E.)
Conductress.....	Charlotte Bennett (Mrs. Earl)

Charlotte Bennett (Mrs. Earl)

Advisor	Norma Richardson (Mrs. William)
NEWS LETTER	

Our chapter has one meeting and one party a month; meetings are usually held at Library Hall and parties at the Civic Center. September started fall activities with a rousing Football Rally Party. Decorations featured gaily colored goal posts and miniature players made by the committee. In October attired in gypsy costumes we made our merry way to a gypsy camp — complete with tents, fortune teller, and violins singing their haunting music. There we consumed, with gusto, mulligan from paper plates, coffee from tincups, while newspaper napkins adorned our laps.

November we went "Down Mexico Way" via a movie travelogue. Our Christmas party was formal and we initiated four new members, played bridge, had a gift exchange and sang carols.



Members of Beta Gamma, Peru, at Convention, Lafayette. L. to r. Betty Ann Thoennes, vice president; Marian Brauneller, corresponding secretary; and Virginia Guisinger, president.

January brought our literary program. Mrs. Miller, our eldest (in years of service to us) patroness, was hostess.

Naturally February's party was on a Valentine theme and March brought forth art talent in the form of antiques. A Peru collector talked on the lure, joy and heartaches of collecting and showed some of her lovely china, glassware and books. Inspection in the form of a housecleaning party was our April treat—our clever committee gave each girl three Easter eggs; on each was a question pertaining to Psi Iota Xi—numerous eggs with all the answers were passed about and of course we had to match up!! Hilarious and informative!

What could be better for May than a pitch-in supper? June was hectic with a pledge reception and several weeks following we had our formal anniversary dinner and initiation at the Country Club. "Gay Nineties" was the theme complete with barbershop quartet and Beatrice Kay takeoff. High button shoes for programs and bud vases for favors made a perfect ending for 1949 - 1950 year.

Four delegates attended convention and six members motored to Lafayette for the Friday evening festivities.

Beta Gamma made donations to Red Cross, T. B., March of Dimes, Peru Civic Orchestra, Cancer, we did the door to door canvassing; Scholarship, \$125 outright gift to any Miami County girl that is selected by us for nurses training; Christmas gifts to county home, every year we take personal gifts to every resident, calling before to ascertain preferences; and Community Chest.

We earn money by sponsoring Olive E. Tinder; selling Christmas and everyday

cards; selling pen and pencil sets; and rummage sales.

Clara Easter was welcomed to Beta Gamma in October from Alpha Xi, and Mrs. Henry Thoennes was welcomed as a new patroness.

New Members: Carolyn Donovan (Mrs. Dick), Lela Watkins (Mrs. K.), Jacque Noble (Mrs. James), Sarah Ortwein (Mrs. Philip), Mary Lou Scott (Mrs. Richard), Pearl Robinson (Mrs. Claude), Elaine Loucks (Mrs. William), Shirley Lillard, Jacqueline Johnson.

Marriages: Arliss Price to Jack Warren, Jane Sharp to Robert Haskett, Jean Ward to Milton Cypher, Norma Zipperian to William Richardson.

Births: Daughters to Mr. and Mrs. Philip Ortwein, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Clymer, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Eikenberry, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Hammond, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Hull.

BETA DELTA CHAPTER

Van Wert, Ohio

OFFICERS

President	Eleanore Myers (Mrs. Kenneth)
Vice President	Ernestine Gardner (Mrs. Hugh)
Cor. Secy.....	Harriet Strother
Secretary.....	Pauline Rowell (Mrs. Don)
Treasurer....	June Morgan (Mrs. William)
Conductress	Berneice Linser (Mrs. Edward)

NEWS LETTER

Our year started with a dinner party at the Whitehall Inn to celebrate our 20th anniversary. It was a lovely party and we were entertained with a talk by Hal Hunt of his travels abroad. In October our sales tax contest losers entertained the winners at a Halloween party and scavenger hunt.

November brought an evening with guests enjoying the movies taken by Mr. Hunt on his trip to Europe. We also attended a cooking school.

On December 20th our annual Christmas party was held at the Emanuel



The "Shot-Gun Wedding" given by the pledges and members of Beta Delta Chapter, Van Wert, Ohio.

Lutheran Church hall. We enjoyed group singing and Santa arrived and distributed the gifts for our exchange.

Mrs. David A. Jones was presented a gift on becoming an honorary member after 20 years of service.

At our guest night in January we enjoyed the book "Praise At Morning," reviewed by Mrs. H. D. Underwood.

Pledge service was held in February for our new members.

In March a "Shot-Gun Wedding" was enacted by the pledges with the help of some of the members.

April was a busy month with initiation and our "Psi Ote Charity Ball," on which we netted \$103. The Brownie Scout Troop, which we sponsor, was entertained with the movie, "Cinderella."

Nomination and election of officers was held in May. We also enjoyed a "come as you are" party.

Installation of officers was held in June and a president's gavel guard was presented to the outgoing president, Mrs. Eugene Davis.

Miss Marie Starkey and Mrs. O. A. Moyer became honorary members after 20 years of service to Beta Delta Chapter.

Our charity contributions for the year included, March of Dimes, Red Cross, Crippled Children Society, Community Chest, Christmas Seals, a Christmas basket for a needy family, a pair of glasses for a child. We also spent \$100.00 to redecorate our room at the hospital.

New Members: Ilene Gates (Mrs. Richard), Grace Brown (Mrs. Ed), Hilda Morris (Mrs. David Wayne), Marjorie Smith (Mrs. Harold).

Births: To Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Pancake, a son.

Marriages: Pauline Jones to Paul Grubb, June Lininger to William Morgan.

BETA EPSILON CHAPTER

Mentone, Indiana

OFFICERS

President	Iris Anderson
Vice President.....	Alice Mollenhour
Secretary	Vadis Ward
Cor. Secy.	Jean Rodibaugh
Treasurer	Annabel Mentzer

NEWS LETTER

Beta Epsilon started its twentieth year with a "bang" by co-operating with the Mentone Lions Club in presenting a 4th of July celebration for the community. A parade, contests, soft ball games, and fireworks were thoroughly enjoyed by young and old alike.

Our main money making project is popping corn at our local softball games.

In August, we donated \$25.00 toward the project of spraying our town during the polio epidemic.

Our local librarian reported to us in October that the \$100.00 our chapter had given to the library had been used to buy some much needed children's books.

We threw caution to the wind, let our hair down, and abandoned all formality with a "Hard-Time Party" at Halloween time. Some of us looked as if we were trying to compete with the "old witch that rides a broom." Nevertheless, a gay time was had by all and not a thought had to be given to crooked seams, slips showing, etc., for one party.

We always look forward to our Christmas party, which was held this year at the home of Georgia Nellans. Our menu is always headed by ham and then the trimmings are added by the members which make it a feast fit for "Santa Claus." Bridge and a gift exchange completed a very enjoyable evening.

We donated \$200.00 for a resuscitator. Sponsored by the Mentone fire department, this project was one which we felt was getting a much needed piece of equipment for our community. We also gave Christmas baskets, two cash awards to the two seniors at Mentone with the highest scholastic average and donated to the Red Cross, March of Dimes, Crippled Children's Society, Cancer Funds, and local troops of Girl Scouts and Boy Scouts.

Our June meeting was high-lighted with a beautiful and impressive organ recital by Mrs. Maude Snyder in her own home.

We are now looking forward to the time when the Indiana University Speech and Hearing Traveling Clinic comes to Mentone. The girls feel that this is their chance to really learn how the clinic operates and they know they will benefit along with the handicapped who will be going through the clinic.

New Members: Mrs. Grace Boggs, Mrs. Mary Frances Eller, Mrs. Bernice Jones, Mrs. Jean Pritchard, Mrs. Jean Rodibaugh, Mrs. Wanda Simcoe, and Mrs. Freeda Witham.

Births: To Mr. and Mrs. Ellery Nellans, a daughter, Nanette; to Mr. and Mrs. William Hudson, a daughter, Jennie Lu; to Mr. and Mrs. Rex Witham, a daughter, Caleen Sue.

DELTA GAMMA CHAPTER

Fort Wayne, Indiana

OFFICERS

President....Lucille Kern (Mrs. Kenneth)
Vice President

Bette Peddicord (Mrs. James)
Secretary..Tompsie Smith (Mrs. Harold)
Treasurer

Wanita Wunderlin (Mrs. Frank)
Cor. Secy., Evelyn Krick (Mrs. Frank Jr.)



Officers of Delta Gamma Chapter are shown as they pledged to furnish and decorate a patient room in the new Parkview Memorial Hospital at Fort Wayne. The room will be given in memory of Miss Hazel Plummer, who was a charter member of the chapter. Pictured here l. to r.: Mrs. Richard H. Cook, charity chairman; Mrs. William Crouse, president; Mrs. Rex Roof, advisor; and Harold W. McMillen, general hospital campaign chairman.

NEWS LETTER

On September we opened the new year with a potluck dinner at Sears Pavilion. It was decided to divide the sorority into four groups, each to earn a certain amount of money during the year. This plan worked very successfully for us. One group sold Christmas cards and name tabs. Another sold chances on a Christmas turkey and another raffled two hams for Easter. Jewelry was sold by the fourth group. We had our annual rummage sale and it was its usual success.

This year completed our three-year project to raise \$500.00 for our new Parkview Hospital. We are going to furnish and decorate a room in memory of Hazel Plummer, a charter member of our chapter.

We entertained our husbands at our annual "Coyote Party." Everyone had a wonderful time square dancing.

The program committee headed by Phyllis Waggoner (Mrs. Richard) was responsible for some outstanding meetings this year. One of the most entertaining programs was given by three members of the creative writing group. They read original manuscripts. This was of special interest to us because Dorothy Bundy (Mrs. Paul), a member of our chapter, was one of the participants.

Among our other meetings were two travelogues. One was movies by Mr. and Mrs. Ben Geyer of their trip around the world and the other, movies of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Riping's journey to Sweden. Both were very colorful and made us feel that we had shared their trips with them.

At our January meeting Mrs. Harry Hogan reviewed the book "The Egyptian" in her own inimitable fashion. Ora

Davis spoke to us on James Whitcomb Riley. He disclosed many interesting facts about the poet's life and also recited some of his poems. Easter Iconography was the subject of our April meeting. It was presented by Mrs. Sidney Newhouse who has done extensive research on this unusual topic. In May we held a joint dinner meeting with Pi Chapter at the Ft. Wayne Country Club. Dr. Huckleberry, of the Ball State Speech and Hearing Clinic, spoke.

We end this year with a feeling of accomplishment and are confident that next year will be just as successful. Our new officers were elected and installed at our last meeting.

New members for the past year have been Katherine Wilt (Mrs. Robert), Ruth Bowen (Mrs. William), Mary Brussard (Mrs. Charles) and Maralee DuHadway.

BETA NU CHAPTER

East Chicago, Indiana

OFFICERS

President

Frances Riley (Mrs. Walter, II)

Vice President.....Gwen Sargent

Treasurer

Ethel Thomson (Mrs. G. Reed)

Secretary Helen Cooper

Cor. Secy.....Vera Warner (Mrs. Mason)

Conductress

Marcia Boroughs (Mrs. L. T.)

Advisor.....Almira Heim (Mrs. Gordon)

NEWS LETTER

Beta Nus were entertained by our initiates at Girl Scout Little House in October and a fine movie of James Whitcomb Riley Children's Hospital was enjoyed in November.

Our Christmas party with Mrs. A. H. Bacon giving us ideas for Christmas decorations was held in the home of Frances Riley. The annual Christmas dance was held December 23 at Gary Country Club.

Stephen L. Lloyd, of W. H. S. Lloyd Company of Chicago, was guest speaker for January and showed us old and new ideas in wallpaper.

February was a big month with our card party and bake sale wonderfully successful. We also enjoyed an American Airlines movie "Skyways to Mexico" at our regular February social.

Gentlemen's Evening was a success with dinner for them at Phil Smidt's restaurant and a magician for entertainment.

April found us touring our biggest charity project, Kathryn House. Everyone was quite impressed with the wonderful work being done there.

Our mothers were entertained on May 15 with Mrs. Robert A. Gibbons giving



Margaret Helen Starstead (left) and Valeria Benedict (right) of Beta Nu Chapter, East Chicago, are shown with three of the children being cared for at Kathryn House.

us an interesting talk on "Famous Mothers in History."

Our money making projects this year proved very successful. They were a rummage sale, birth-date calendars and of course, the card party and bake sale.

We donated \$600.00 to Kathryn House this year and also gave to Red Cross, Polio Fund, Community Chest, T. B. Fund and Cancer Drive.

One of our new members, Natalia Stepanovich, has been elected president of the sophomore class at Vassar College.

Old acquaintances were renewed at convention by Frances Riley, Vera Warner, Marie Lahr, Ethel Thomson and Mary Ethel Sawyer.

Engagements: Doris Lewis to Charles Newton.

Marriages: Barbara East to Jack Saunders, Jeanette Wilson to Charles J. Palmer, Dorothy Smith to Donald J. Cameron, Patricia Lee Peterson to George A. Griner, Lillian J. Bird to Charles K. Devine, Shirley Mosny to William Ashby.

Births: Mr. and Mrs. Frank Boroughs (Carole), a boy, Timothy; Mr. and Mrs. L. T. Boroughs (Marcia), a boy, Dana; Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Kincaid (Mary Dora), a boy, Marvin J.; Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Hopf (Mary Caroline), a boy, Charles W., Jr.

BETA XI CHAPTER

Crown Point, Indiana

OFFICERS

President	Lorraine Weiss
Vice President	Bernice Liss
Cor. Secy.	Edith Scales
Secretary	Lillian Wood
Treasurer	Ruth Vickers
Conductress	Evelyn Kerth
Advisor	Maurine Loosemore

NEWS LETTER

Beta Xi has just closed her books on another year of happy associations and happy times with a feeling, also, of work well done.

Our year began with the initiation of Sue Ann Claussen last September, at a relaxing social after all our hard work at our food stand at the county fair.

Our social calendar for the year was filled with many lovely parties, which included the Christmas party with the officers as hostesses followed two weeks later by the Christmas dance at the beautiful Gary Country Club, ably arranged by Sara Piper and her committee.

The man reigned supreme at our sweetheart party in February, when

Florence McLean and committee planned a gala "Night Out" for our husbands and friends.

We, and our guests, combined pleasure with the knowledge of modern Oriental flower arrangements at our March social, when Dorothy Westphal headed a committee, who brought a lovely young lady of Japanese ancestry from Chicago to demonstrate her talents at flower arrangements.

In April, Zella Westphal, and her committee, worked with a group of Tri Kappas to bring the two sororities together for an evening of fun at Youche Country Club. The girls had a hilarious time making and modeling hats made from anything and everything but the kitchen sink, and then heard and saw Mrs. Starr Brownell of Lowell, a milliner, demonstrate the "fine" art of hat making.

The Gary Players entertained our mothers with a clever one-act play at the Mother's Day party in May. Eleanor Merriam headed that committee.

On June 13th, we wound up our social year when we initiated Virginia Isley, Nancy Herlitz and Florris Kurtz at a formal ceremony in the Methodist Church, after which we went to Youche Country Club for dinner and then pledge service for Nancy Foley, Beverly Book, Margaret Schmal, Patricia Mitchener, and Melba Marsh. Our new officers for the coming year were installed after which Alma Blum and her committee had planned a social hour at which the Gary Players again presented a skit.

Honor was bestowed on our chapter when two of our members were ap-

pointed to positions of high esteem. Edith Scales has been chosen to act as business secretary to the state board of the Business and Professional Women's Association, while Thelma Shanks is a member of the board of the Indiana Society for Crippled Children.

We are indeed proud of the business side of our ledger, also. Our contributions include a pledge of \$1000 for the new addition being built on the Methodist Hospital in Gary, and a donation to the Crippled Children's Society in East Chicago. Our dance proceeds went to Hoosier Boys' State and we presented two high school students with music scholarships, plus donations to all local drives and the purchase of milk for needy families.

During the past year, Lillian Wood, our recording secretary, and her husband celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary, while Nancy Westphal and Roger Herlitz began their married life in February.

Pauline Schmidt presented us with our only future Psi Ote, while Rosemary Jacobs, Ruth Vickers, Peg Marner, Dorothy Youkey, Mildred Henderlong, Marilyn Sigler and Virginia Isley increased the male population.

We were saddened by the passing of Marie Atkins, who died while making her home in Tucson, Arizona.

Lorraine Weiss and Edith Scales returned home with glowing reports of the lovely convention at Lafayette.

May all chapters have had the pleasant year we have had, and our good wishes for as eventful a year to come are extended to all.



Members of Beta Xi Chapter of Psi Ote and the members of Gamma Theta Chapter of Tri Kappa combine for one social party a year. Pictured are the committees from both chapters and the guest who told them and illustrated the art of making hats. Contests and prizes for teams making hats were enjoyed following 6:30 dinner at the Youche Country Club.

BETA RHO CHAPTER

Goshen, Indiana

OFFICERS

President Jane Naus Mayse (Mrs. William)
 Vice President Thelma Hostetler Schrock (Mrs. Harold)
 Cor. Secy. Virginia Swanson Putt (Mrs. Frank)
 Secretary Winifred Harshman McHoes (Mrs. Lloyd)
 Treasurer Peggy Kalb Thomas (Mrs. Robert)

NEWS LETTER

Beta Rho's program for 1949 and 1950, under the able leadership of Eleanor Ulery, records a variety of charitable, cultural and social activities.

Our most popular innovation, the "Beta Rho Chapter Newsletter," was pioneered by Jane Mayse. It is mailed monthly to all present and former members and in its eight-month existence, has won high acclaim.

June 8th terminated the second year of our Resale Shop, endearingly called the "Thrift Shop." Profits earned within its walls predominantly finance our charitable contributions. Pleasurable and lucrative were our Harvest Charity Ball; home decorating course (conducted by Richard Hodges Allen of New York); and the feature of our annual Yuletide party, a "white elephant" auction with proceeds benefiting a needy family.

By no means was Beta Rho confined to pecuniary activities. Besides being privileged to participate in numerous co-operative charities and to render individual aid, we ventured into the following civic pursuits: Thirty-two examined at the Traveling Speech and Hearing Clinic; transportation made available for children's swimming classes at the lake; assisted in financing the Goshen High School orchestra's trip to the Indianapolis Symphony (admission tickets being generously proffered by Miss Sweeney); purchased ten Community Concert memberships for interested pupils' disposal; sponsored the annual cash-award short story contest for high school seniors; pledged \$3,000 to Elkhart County Hospital Fund for proposed local hospital. We are permanent sponsors of Camp Fire girls whose welfare we hold dear.

After presenting "Thunder Rock," we are in accord with Grand Council's high recommendation of the Barter Players. Also praiseworthy was "Parsifal," reviewed by our delegates after attending this opera at Miss Sweeney's gracious invitation. Not to be overlooked is the talent within our ranks: Anne Marie Umble's delightful travelogue of her na-

tive Switzerland; Doris Hudson's dexterity in the book review, "Adventures in Understanding;" Sally Landis' clever and original skit on television.

For sociability, Beta Rho offered a varied program: a picnic for husbands and friends; a smorgasbord supper at Lake Wawasee; a treasure hunt; two bridge parties; a novel home sound-movie, complete with popcorn and after-movie sodas. Our outstanding social event was the Founders' Day fifteenth anniversary, honoring the charter members. The favors were cleverly compiled books on the history of Beta Rho, rich in wit and scroll. Enthusiastically received was the annual Valentine tea for senior high school girls and the musicale presented at our Christmas party by the local Rainbow Girls chorus, our own Mary Helen Pease directing. The brides of the year were honored at a beautiful June party at Tippecanoe Country Club. In conjunction with this, eleven interesting young women were pledged and the forthcoming officers installed.

New Members: Martha Schnuhardt Rieth (Mrs. Blair), Erma Hewitt Kyle (Mrs. Eldred), Frances Rieth Jessup (Mrs. William), Maryon Morse Marquart (Mrs. Marvin), Marilyn Logan, Gladys Lung, Marilyn McLean, Sue Welborn, Janice Young, Julia King, Nancy Rummel, Phyllis Ulery Alheim (Mrs. Chester), Lois Tingwald Linfor (Mrs. Joseph).

Marriages: Joan Hoover to Robert L. Williams, Shirley Whittle to Richard Hamlin, Myrna Clayton to John Beachy, Marilyn Messick to Thomas Kintigh, Carol Kaser to Earl Wogoman.

Births: Mr. and Mrs. William Mayse, a son, William Clark; Mr. and Mrs. Richard Hamlin, a son, Michael Craig; Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Kintigh, a son, Patrick Allen; Mr. and Mrs. John Beachy, a daughter, Diana Jean; Mr. and Mrs. Dan Chiddister, a daughter, Diane Lynn.

Pledges: Barbara Bassett, Barbara Jo Benton, Susan Forney, Phyllis Juday, Sandra Leavitt, Arleta Miller, Lou Ann Miller, Jane Schwalm, Mary Stockmas-



Fifteenth anniversary of Beta Rho Chapter, Goshen, at which time the charter members of the chapter were honored.

ter, Estelle Koth Delgado (Mrs. Fortunato). Lucille Culbertson Kirkpatrick (Mrs. Paul), Helen Schrock Hetler (Mrs. George).

BETA PSI CHAPTER

Delphi, Indiana

OFFICERS

President	Bertha Noble
Vice President.....	LaVaune Million
Secretary	Naomi Anderson
Cor. Secy.	Helen Vaughn
Treasurer	Mossie Nelson

NEWS LETTER

We started the year out with a picnic planned by the new pledges, and an auction of white elephant gifts which netted a nice little sum of money. The girls all worked hard at the game stand which is held annually in August during the county's "Old Settlers" celebration. We started a new project this year with Elizabeth Black and Margaret Burkle in charge in which we handle a complete line of novelty candles for sale. A rummage sale and bake sale netted a few extra dollars.

Our charity gifts for the year were to a Carroll county patient in Rockville, \$48; Girl Scouts, \$35; Boy Scouts, \$15; dental care for child, \$25; Riley Research Fund, \$25; prizes for public Halloween fund, \$25; automatic washer for school, \$279; T. B. fund, \$15; Delphi high school music department, \$50; polio drive, \$50; Christmas baskets, \$24.52; Red Cross drive, \$50; Cancer Research, \$10; Boy Scout Jamboree, \$50; high school citizenship award, \$20; and school hot lunch program, \$100.

Brides of the year were Betty Jo (McCarty) Jones, June (Newell) Million and Mary Jo (Rockhill) Hughes.

During the year Eileen Flora, Sue Schnepf, Carol Smith, Rita Wingard, Clatia Whiteman, Rosemary Wood, and Leota Weaver were hospitalized.

Baby boys were born to Clatia Whiteman, Rita Wingard, Leota Weaver, and Rosemary Wood.

Seven new members namely, Irene Daniels, Madge Geheb, Faye Ebrite, Ruby Eikenberry, Ethel Lybrook, Polly Grantham, and Kathleen Brown were initiated at a formal dance at the Delphi Country Club.

DELTA ZETA CHAPTER

Lafayette, Indiana

OFFICERS

President.....	Hazel Clark (Mrs. Alan)
Vice President	
	Thelma Beatty (Mrs. Russell)
Secretary.....	Peg Thompson (Mrs. Warren)
Cor. Secy.	Alice Bonewits
Treasurer	
	Cathryn Askren (Mrs. Harold)

NEWS LETTER

Cheerful redecoration for a children's home, preparation for national convention, celebrating a tenth anniversary and sponsoring a new active chapter for Lafayette kept Delta Zeta Associate Chapter in a merry, busy mood this year.

Members showed enthusiasm for a new club year at the opening organization meeting in September at the home of the new president, Wilma O'Neil. The spark caught, and it was at the very next meeting, at the home of Eleanor Lindley, that the project of redecorating certain rooms of Cary Home for Children was adopted.

It did not take long to make colorful drapes and new table covers to brighten the large dining room at the home. The improvements were made in time for the children's Thanksgiving dinner. New bedspreads brightened the sick room, where there were once no spreads at all, and members donated curtains, rugs, pictures, and lamps.

The annual Christmas bazaar at the November meeting added to the club treasury. Gertrude Hymen was hostess.

Members gathered around a gay Christmas tree at the home of Wilma O'Neil for a gift exchange in December. Guest day was held in January at the Community House. The late Mrs. Mabel L. Harlan spoke on "Historic Lafayette and Its Distinguished Women."

At February's meeting with Maxine McKibben as hostess, the chapter voted to sponsor the new active chapter which was later installed at the national convention here in June. Members of the new group were our dinner guests when we celebrated our tenth anniversary in April. Mrs. Stanley Hartsell entertained us with several stories. Six charter members were introduced: Mrs. Alan Clark, Mrs. Harold Askren, Mrs. Ted A. Decker, Mrs. V. C. Freeman, Mrs. W. L. Baines, and Mrs. Gertrude Hymen. Dining tables in the Fowler Hotel Gridiron Room were beautifully decorated in our sorority colors for the anniversary.

The March and May meetings were full of business discussion and plans for convention. Our chapter had charge of memorial services at the convention. Mrs. A. E. Turley entertained us with some of her original poems at the March gathering at Marguerite Huston's home, and six new members of the chapter were hostesses in May at the home of Mrs. L. E. Martin. Nola Harmon opened her Lake Freeman cottage doors to us in June for a pot-luck picnic supper.

New members who joined our chapter this year were: Lucille Martin (Mrs. L. E.), Carolyn Hurt (Mrs. Donald F.), Peg Thompson (Mrs. Warren), Alice Bonewits, Eileen Baldwin (Mrs. Fred), Annadell Lamb (Mrs. George W.).

Deaths: Alice Adkins, summer of 1949.

GAMMA BETA CHAPTER

Remington, Indiana

OFFICERS

President.....	Mrs. Kenneth Woodruff
Vice President.....	Mrs. Harry Alberts
Cor. Secy.....	Mrs. Ernest Wisley
Secretary.....	Mrs. Wilson Bellows
Treasurer.....	Mrs. Fred Goad
Conductress.....	Mrs. Omer Dilling

NEWS LETTER

After a busy and fruitful summer, Gamma Beta got under way in the fall, under the capable leadership of our president, Mabel Knochel.

We opened our first business meeting with a bountiful pot luck supper, and planned our fall rummage sale. The first social event on our agenda was a lovely formal dinner and initiation service, during which we welcomed four new members into our chapter. In October, we were fortunate to hear two entertaining travel lectures, one on an extensive European tour and another on a "Vacation in Ireland." We voted to sponsor an overseas family to which we sent CARE and clothing packages. November found us busily addressing envelopes for Christmas T. B. seals.

With the unexpected illness of our president, Gamma Beta sailed smoothly on with the vice president, Velma Geib, at the helm. In December, we raffled a beautiful doll with complete wardrobe. We all got into the holiday spirit with our annual Christmas party and gift exchange. Rev. McMahan told an original Christmas story followed by a musical program by a male quartet from Purdue University. We distributed Christmas baskets to the needy in our community and sent a box of toys to Riley Hospital.

In January, we made plans for our first attempt at a telephone card party. We held one of our outstanding meetings of the year in February, at which time we honored our charter members, in an impressive candlelight service. Rita Von Tobel, a new member, entertained at guest night telling us of her life in Switzerland and Belgium, and displaying her lovely linens.

In March, we honored our past presidents. Gamma Beta made a house to house campaign for donations to the Cancer Fund, which we sponsor in our community, and held a benefit public card party in conjunction with this drive. In May, we honored our mothers at a mother-daughter dinner, of lovely appointments at the Methodist Church. Our annual music award was presented at commencement, to the outstanding senior music student. At our final business meeting of the year, we made plans for our spring rummage sale, installed

our new officers, and held a "hanky" shower for Mabel to express our heartfelt appreciation for her year's work.

We looked forward to our chapter's ninth birthday party on June 28th and also look back on another golden year added to our chapter book of memories.

New Members: Mrs. Robert Kryder, Mrs. Ralph Wagner, Mrs. Harry Von Tobel, Mrs. Ralph Thurston.

Marriages: Miss June Bridgewater to Allen Knochel, November 24, 1950.

Births: Mr. and Mrs. Gene Farrell, a son, Dennis Eugene; Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Knochel, a son, James Arthur; Mr. and Mrs. William Pacini, a daughter, Valerie Elaine; Mr. and Mrs. Allen Wall, a son, Bruce Allen; Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Wagner, a daughter, Nancy Jean.

GAMMA ZETA CHAPTER

Ossian, Indiana

OFFICERS

President.....	Kathryn Lee (Mrs. Carl)
Vice President.....	Lois Johnson (Mrs. Paul)
Secretary.....	Mary Lou Somers (Mrs. Howard)
Cor. Secy.....	Joan McLain
Treasurer.....	Rosemary Smith (Mrs. Wayne)

NEWS LETTER

Gamma Zeta Chapter enjoyed an interesting and eventful year with our schedule of one business and one social meeting a month.

The last week in August was fair week in Ossian, and we were very busy with our game booth and Daystrom dinette set raffle. We made \$771.50 on this. Then in September, although it was very cool weather, we made \$347.35 from our game booth at the Bluffton fair.

We had loads of fun at our Halloween party at the R. E. M. C. building. Everyone came masked including our husbands and boy friends. Our Christmas party was at the R. E. M. C. building and we had a nice gift exchange, contests, and a book review by Mrs. Ray Fryback.

We donated money to the Fort Wayne Philharmonic Orchestra and also bought two tickets. We contributed to the Red Cross, Salvation Army, Cancer Drive, Tuberculosis and Crippled Children's funds.

In January we presented a movie projector to the Ossian School. This is to be used for educational purposes. During the year we gave food, clothing, and drug store coupons to some convalescent people in our community, and sent a scrapbook for cards and a hankerchief to another lady who formerly lived in our community.

We were very happy to welcome Mrs. Doris Ann Middaugh to our chapter in



June, 1950, Initiation, Gamma Zeta, Ossian.



January by transfer from the Bluffton Chapter. Our sympathy went out to Sam and Jo Sue Hadley with the death of their daughter, Shirley, in January, and to Wayne and Mary Alice Cass with the death of their daughter, Joann, in June.

For our anniversary party our wonderful patronesses entertained us and our eleven pledges in the Methodist Church dining room. The pledges had to earn \$20.00 for us, did so by having a bake sale, and were fine sports at the rough initiation. Formal initiation was in Mrs. Carl Lee's home, with entertainment by a model from Wolf and Dessauer of Fort Wayne who talked about clothes for a summer vacation.

We ended our year with election of officers, and after a very wonderful convention, are looking forward to a very successful year.

New Members: La Rayne Andrist (Mrs. James), Mary Bell (Mrs. Truman, Jr.), Maureen Bushee, Eleanor Davidoff (Mrs. M. A.), Naomi Henly (Mrs. Wayne), Beverly Hunter (Mrs. Bruce), Elvira Hunter (Mrs. William), Faye Hunter (Mrs. Sherwood), Peggy Middaugh, Joyce Monahan (Mrs. William), Betty Rohn (Mrs. Bruce).

Births: To Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Cass, twin daughters, Joyce Ann and Joann; to Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hunter, a son, Steven Jack; to Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Smith, a daughter, Jean Ann; to Mr. and Mrs. Ned Wilburn, a son, Ronnie Keith.

GAMMA KAPPA CHAPTER

Brook, Indiana

OFFICERS

President	Kathryn Kleinkort
Vice President.....	Lois Mulberry
Secretary	Lou Weishaar
Cor. Secy.	Norma Akers
Treasurer	Marilyn Clark
Conductress	Leah Decker

NEWS LETTER

We really feel like full-fledged Psi Otes now that our delegates have returned from our first convention. They had fun and learned a great deal, and through them so did we.

This has been a year of 'firsts' for us. Our first full year as a chapter, first pledging, initiation, and installation of officers.

In October we pledged two new members, Lou Weishaar and Margaret Brown. Several members of the Remington chapter came to our formal initiation in January.

During the year we had our second annual Harvest Dance, a spring and fall rummage sale, took charge of the March of Dimes, giving a card party to raise money for the fund, and sold ads for the Newton County Fair Book. Though we are officially vacationing during the summer we have several money-making jobs ahead of us, decorating the Women's Building at the Newton County Fair, and holding cake walks after some of the Saturday night band concerts.

We bought a \$19.80 season ticket for the Indianapolis Symphony concerts for a music student, and held our first annual short story contest for high school students.

In June our patronesses, Mrs. Ina Pierson, Mrs. Dorothy Clark, and Mrs. Rolland Ade, entertained us at a canasta party.

The new officers for 1950-51 were installed at our closing meeting and picnic in June.

When we organized we thought it couldn't happen to us. But we are losing two charter members who are moving from Brook, Betty Ottengheim and Dorothy Schurter. We'll miss them . . . and not just for their helping hands!

Our junior department has several new members: daughter, Joyce Ann, to Norma Akers; daughter, Brenda Lou, to Lou Weishaar; daughter, Hilary Ann, to Elisabeth James; son, James Milton, to Margaret Brown, and daughter, Stephanie Ann, to Janet Montgomery.

Thus ends our second year of operation, our first as Psi Otes.

GAMMA MU CHAPTER

Lafayette, Indiana

OFFICERS

President.....	Mrs. Charlotte Stewart
Vice President.....	Mrs. Jayne Gilbert
Secretary.....	Mrs. Helen Keller
Cor. Secy.....	Mrs. Brenta Wykoff
Treasurer.....	Mrs. Page Karling
Advisor.....	Mrs. Kay Christian

NEWS LETTER

Although our chapter was referred to as "the baby" during the convention held June 23 and 24 at the Purdue Union Building, West Lafayette, we feel we shall not be inarticulate long, and we are looking forward hopefully to the time when we shall be walking, yea, even running.

Brought together at first by a common interest in the Girl Scouts of America, and with the encouragement of Mrs. Lilian Stewart, wife of the vice-president of Purdue University, our group made application to Psi Iota Xi for a charter. During the five months' waiting period, we called ourselves 'Pixies' and contributed to the treasury through benefit bridge parties in members' homes, sale of stationery and children's books, a "white elephant" sale, and, too, by making a wardrobe of hand-knitted and hand-crocheted clothes for our 'Pixie Doll' which was auctioned at convention to the highest bidder, Beta Tau, Frankfort, who was delighted to get her. We have helped our local project by making sixty mattress covers for the new Girl Scout Camp, Sycamore Valley, Lafayette.

At long last came the date of installation of our group: June 22, 1950. Following the installation ceremony, the new chapter entertained at a dinner the following guests: Grand President, Mrs. J. D. Young; Grand Vice President, Mrs. W. D. Reed; Grand Secretary, Mrs. Emmons Hougland; Grand Treasurer, Mrs. Earl Lawson; Grand Advisor, Miss Leah Flint; Grand Editor, Mrs. Dorothy Doles; Grand Conductress, Mrs. Charles Weddle; Grand Charity Chairman, Mrs. L. J. Martin; Central Province chairman, Mrs. Kenneth Peterson, and Southern Province chairman, Mrs. Glenn Clark. Close to fifty members from other chapters witnessed the installation and attended the dinner. The motif of the dinner was: birth announcement party of the new "baby"—Gamma Mu. The Delta Zeta associate chapter, Lafayette, served as sponsor of the Gamma Mu Chapter.

Gamma Mu has 20 charter members, all of whom are happy to "belong" to the Psi Ote family.

Central Province



MILDRED PURCELL
Central Province Chairman

Mildred Purcell (Mrs. Borden R.) has been an active member of Delta Chapter, of Psi Iota Xi for the past six years and president of her chapter last year. Her husband is associated with the Indiana State Teachers' Association as director of field service and placement. They have a daughter, Rita, who is fifteen years old and a sophomore at Broad Ripple High School, Indianapolis. Mildred is an active member of the Broad Ripple High School P.-T. A., the Broadway Methodist Church, and finds time to assist in community drives such as the Red Cross Drive, Community Fund, etc.

ALPHA CHAPTER

Muncie, Indiana

OFFICERS

President Vivian DeFur (Mrs. Earl)
Vice President Nancy Schuster
Secretary

Margaret Watkins (Mrs. James)

Cor. Secy. Marie Budd (Mrs. Frank)
Treasurer Florence Sowers (Mrs. Ray)
Conductress

Betty Kendall (Mrs. Thomas)

NEWS LETTER

Our initial meeting in September was, as usual, our Founder's Day Banquet, which was held this year at the Top Hat near Muncie.

At the December meeting, eight new members were initiated and pledge services were held for our one new pledge. After these formal services the members held a bazaar which was both enjoyable and profitable. Each member brought something worth \$2 and the members themselves purchased these articles. After the members had all had an opportunity to purchase what they wanted, the remainder was auctioned off to the highest bidder.

Also in December, a Christmas dinner-dance was held at the Delaware County Club for members and their guests.

The January meeting was held at the Day Nursery, as usual. Mrs. Mary Alice Coons, head of the nursery staff, gave an enjoyable and informative report.

Dr. Alan Huckleberry, head of the speech and hearing clinic at Ball State, talked to us at the February meeting about stuttering. He brought Jack Bushor, one of Alpha's scholarship students, with him and introduced him to us that we might see for ourselves what a fine young man we were sponsoring. We were very favorably impressed with the charming personality of our protege, and felt a sort of proprietary interest and pride in him.

In February the Hoosier Salon was exhibited in the Ball State Art Gallery for two weeks. The Ball State Galleries have many fine exhibitions during the year, but we are always especially interested in this exhibit.

At our March meeting Alpha Brauns-worth told us about her trip to Europe last summer and showed us many beautiful pictures taken during her stay there.

At the April meeting we were entertained by Alberta Grecius who told of her experiences in Afghanistan where she lived and taught for a year. She showed us many souvenirs of her sojourn in this unusual country.

In May the annual musical program was given by Rosalie Peeling, an active member of Alpha.

At the annual June picnic, installation of officers was held. And so, on a beautiful lawn, with nice weather and delicious fried chicken, ended our meetings for this year.



This has been a very wonderful and successful year for Alpha Chapter. Our biggest project this year was the style show held March 8 at the Masonic Temple. This show, called "Easter Parade," was given by Ball Stores (which is owned by Margaret Petty, one of our members) and sponsored jointly by the Ball Memorial Hospital Women's Auxiliary and Psi Iota Xi.

Another project which we have enjoyed this year was the coke stand which we operated at the intermissions of the Civic Theatre Plays. Some projects are pursued purely as a means of making money and are not especially enjoyable, but both the style show and the coke stand are very well-liked by most members of the sorority.

Due to the size of our group and the volume of business, it was decided to have much of the business managed by a board of directors, who meet separately to discuss and recommend business to be brought before the general membership for acceptance or rejection.

The board consists of fifteen members, five new ones to be elected each year, each member to serve three years. The board elects officers who serve also as officers of the sorority.

It is felt that this system will leave more of our meeting time open for programs and sociability.

The Day Nursery has been filled to capacity this year, with an average attendance of forty-five a day. There is a waiting list of thirty-three. We have been faced all year by the dilemma of the need for expansion, and, so far, we have arrived at no solution to this problem, although it is being considered from all angles. We hope to arrive at a workable solution eventually, but for the present we are having to make the best of the facilities we have. Our contribution to the nursery this year was \$1000.

The nursery has been entertaining the members of the Community Fund Board

at lunch each Thursday for three weeks, in groups of four, in order to familiarize the board with the problems of the nursery. The response has been whole-hearted and very enthusiastic.

The sorority was surprised and touched very deeply by the gift of a G. I. student and his wife, who have had a child in the nursery this year. From their meagre income they gave \$150 with which new tables and chairs were purchased.

From our memorials fund were purchased a dish washer, a new deep freeze unit and new playground equipment for the smaller children.

Parties were held for the nursery children at Christmas, on Valentine's Day, at Easter, and the annual picnic in June was held at Robinwood Farm.

Dr. Marjorie Galliher, one of Alpha's own members, has been examining the children this winter, and has given counsel to parents on emotional as well as physical problems. Her help has been most valuable.

We are still patrons of the Hoosier Salon; buy two symphony tickets; contribute to the Red Cross and the new Student Union Building at Ball State; send memorials to the Visiting Nurse Association; and continue our Emma Cammack and Martha Ivins scholarships. Our scholarship students this year were Jack Bushor and Bill Booth. Our Speech and Hearing Committee provided tonsillectomies and removal of adenoids for fifteen school children and are sponsoring six children at the speech and hearing clinic at Ball State this summer.

New Members: Joella Voran, Billie Penzel, Virginia Miller, Barbara Whitcraft, Janet Hanley Hazelton, Mary Jane Covalt, Patricia Hanley Maxon, Joanne Johnson.

Pledges: Dorothy Hartley (Mrs. Robert).

Marriages: Dorothy Spurgeon to Lindley W. Clark, Jr.; Gloria Schneider to W. Bruce Maish; Jean Ganter to Walter Nelson; Janet Hanley to John Hazelton; Patricia Hanley to William Maxon; Joan Barnes to James Nicholson; Janet Metzner to Donald Gilliatt; Beth Wagner to Joseph Philip Gurrister.

Births: To Mr. and Mrs. Robert G. Miller, twin daughters; to Mr. and Mrs. James Wingate, a daughter; to Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Mussler, a son; to Mr. and Mrs. James Dewar, a daughter; to Mr. and Mrs. Jack Coyle, a son; to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hartley, a daughter.

Upper left: Alpha's new officers 1950-1951. L. to r.: Nancy Schuster, Florence Sowers, Marie Budd, Peg Watkins, and Vivian DeFur.

Upper right: Committee in charge of Alpha's style show "Easter Parade." Standing l. to r.: Mary Jane Covalt, Lucile Banta, Margaret Benham, Helen Hammer, and Helen Hutzel. Seated l. to r.: Mildred Ehrhardt, Lucille Clark, Marjorie Harper, and Nancy Schuster.

Middle left: Standing, Dardis Johnson, president of Alpha's Day Nursery board. Seated, Mary Alice Coons, head of the Day Nursery staff.

Middle right: Co-chairmen of Alpha's Christmas Party. Left, Suzanne Burtt and right, Betty O'Hara.

Bottom left: Day Nursery hayride at picnic at Robinwood Farm.

Bottom right: Group at Easter party at Alpha's Day Nursery.

DELTA CHAPTER

Indianapolis, Indiana

OFFICERS

President

Marjorie Armstrong (Mrs. Marshall)

Vice President

Lorraine Goodman (Mrs. Leo)

Cor. Secy., Betty Holdcroft (Mrs. Robert)

Secretary...Nadine Johnson (Mrs. Jesse)

Treasurer.....Pauline Grisell (Mrs. Ted)

Conductress.....Louise Gill (Mrs. H. J.)

NEWS LETTER

We of Delta Chapter are proudly reviewing the past year's accomplishments, and at the same time are looking forward to the 1950-51 winter under the leadership of our new officers.

Working with us for the first time will be our new members, Jeannette Houston, Dorothy Russell (Mrs. Frank), and Kathryn Steeg. Also with us by transfer from other chapters will be Harriet Whitson (Mrs. Houston) and Dodie Kappes (Mrs. Philip).

Our incoming president, Marjorie Armstrong, acquired a new aide when she proudly welcomed a new daughter, Kristi.

From the proceeds of our work, we are happy to have established a fund which will enable us eventually to furnish General Hospital, Indianapolis, with a vacuum thermos pitcher for each bedside table. We also presented General and Riley Hospitals with various items which the supervisors requested.

For several years, our group has helped a deserving family by paying the taxes on their home. This we did again this year, besides contributing generously to the Red Cross, Community Fund, Cancer Society, and "Clothe a Child" Fund.



With Dr. Myers of General Hospital, Indianapolis, are shown Mrs. Ted L. Grisell, Mrs. James L. Carr, and Mrs. Robert N. King, of Delta Chapter, Indianapolis, presenting vacuum pitchers to the hospital.

Combining our efforts with those of Gamma Theta and Delta Beta, we of Delta Chapter helped sponsor a program by Edwin Biltcliff, pianist with the Indianapolis Symphony. Our profits from this were given to establish an Emergency Polio Fund here in Indianapolis.

At present our group is putting every effort into making our booth at the Indiana State Fair a huge success.

THETA CHAPTER

New Castle, Indiana

OFFICERS

President.....	Mrs. Mary Morris
Vice President.....	Mrs. Mary Trainor
Cor. Secy.....	Mrs. Dorothy Couden
Secretary.....	Mrs. Phyllis Thompson
Treasurer.....	Mrs. Margaret Rea
Charity Treasurer.....	Mrs. Bertha Parrish

NEWS LETTER

Theta Chapter has had a busy and profitable year. Our Thanksgiving dance is always our biggest money-making project and our 1949 dance was a big success due to the fact that we had Clyde Trask and his orchestra and that it was the first big dance of the season.

The holidays were busy with our Christmas banquet and dance, followed by a closed St. Valentine's dance with the Tri Kappas. Money was also made with a rummage sale, a white elephant sale, a bazaar and we're especially proud of the way Georgia Fromuth, Peg Rea, and Dee Bradway carried through the dress club idea. The members sold chances and each week a \$25.00 merchandise certificate was given away. This project ran for six weeks, the certificates were exchanged for merchandise at Woodbury's, one of New Castle's very nicest dress shops, owned by Mary Hammer, a Psi Ote.

We ended our year with lovely initiation services, held at Mary Hammer's home. We have a fine group of new girls, six high school graduates, Pat and Sally Clift, Dee Ann Jessup, Marilyn Craw, Marjorie Tapscott and Sharon Aaron, and three older girls, Betty Hill, Evelyn Clift and Marjorie Drackett.

Theta Chapter had a bumper crop of babies this past year with boys predominating. Sibyl Gray, Mary Alice Townsand, Norma Jean Scott and Betty Luellen were our brides of the year.

We opened our Nutrition Camp the 19th of June for two four-week periods with 12 little girls assigned for each period. The camp period is a health-building schedule of rest, passive recreation and craft work. Last year, the youngsters attending the camp showed an average gain of six pounds during their stay. Miss Donna Dunbar, Anderson, senior at Ball State Teachers College was camp counselor with Miss Phyllis K. Morris, Indianapolis, dietitian.

We sent Cynthia Shirk of New Castle to Girls' State, awarded a scholarship to Ball State Teachers College to Maybelle Crumrine and a \$10.00 award in journalism to Jean Ballenger. Three children from New Castle were sent to Ball State during the summer to the Speech and Hearing Clinic.

All in all, it was a good year and we are looking forward to a bigger and better year in '50 and '51.

UPSILON CHAPTER

Greenfield, Indiana

OFFICERS

President.....	Mrs. Russell Jacobs
Vice President.....	Mrs. Lloyd Heller
Secretary.....	Mrs. Clarence Smith
Cor. Secy.....	Mrs. Herschel Shepler
Treasurer.....	Mrs. Maurice Bell
Conductress.....	Mrs. George Shelby

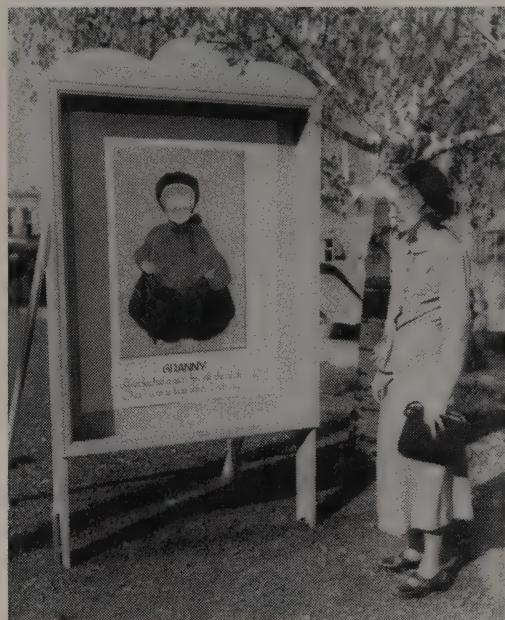
NEWS LETTER

The year 1949-1950 has been most successful both financially and socially. Of course, the Riley Centennial Souvenir Plate was the big news of Upsilon Chapter. Nearly 3500 of these plates were sold during the year. This project has been Upsilon's most outstanding one and our president, Mrs. Heller, and her hard working committee, Edna Crowell, Edna Jacobs, Kay Boyle and all who assisted them are to be congratulated.

During the year plans were made to offer a new Riley plate bearing the "Kitchen of Riley Home." This plate was made available during the summer of 1950.

In September, Upsilon entertained some 300 guests at the Bradley Methodist Church and the speaker of the evening was Mrs. Jeanette Covert Nolan. The guests of honor for the evening were Mrs. Minnie Belle Mitchell, author of "Hoosier Boy — James Whitcomb Riley," and "James Whitcomb Riley As I Knew Him;" Mrs. Mildred Davis, the artist who created the Riley miniature dolls, and Arthur C. Downing, president of the Riley Old Home Society. Following the program a reception was held in the parlors of the church. Other outstanding social events were the smorgasbord dinner held at Christmas, the interesting hobby program given by three of our own members, silver program presented by the Rost Jewelry Company and the musically with guest soloist Barbara Grubbs, and the Psi Ote Chorus. Perhaps the most unusual party was in celebration of our thirtieth anniversary when the chorus enacted the highlights of the thirty years in song. This program was written and directed by Kay Boyle.

Part of the pennies which had been put in the Psi Iota Xi Speech and Hearing gum ball machines were used to con-



Mildred Davis, creator of "Milly's Miniatures," her character dolls depicting the works of James Whitcomb Riley. She has had her one-man art exhibit at Carnegie Institute and has a full set of dolls at the Riley Hospital for Children. This picture shows Mrs. Davis with one of her pictures framed in shadow box during the Centennial. Twenty of them, each four feet by five feet in size and illuminated were used on the court house square, all depicting Riley characters. Mrs. Davis is available for lectures and exhibits.

tinue the training of one small citizen of Hancock County in the I. U. Speech and Hearing Clinic.

A program of magic by Duke Stearn entertained 600 school children as a service project of the sorority.

Our annual pledge dinner was held at the Kopper Kettle June 5th with about ninety members and guests present.

Initiation services were held for thirteen new pledges at the home of Mrs. Herschel Shepler in an impressive candlelight ceremony for the following girls: Laura Lea Thomas, Rolene Woodward, Marjorie Harold, Paulette Hawkins, Donis Haydock, Evelyn Lou Lane, Carolyn Oertel, Jean Fox, Jeanne Schneider, Jeanne Goss, Dorothy Walker, Dorothea Duncan, Viva Pressler.

Births: To Mr. and Mrs. Nelson F. Dolfuss, Jr., Nelson F. Dolfuss III; Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Green, Marilyn Ruth; Mr. and Mrs. Glendon Holt, Martha Joanne; Mr. and Mrs. Robert Kuczynski, Kathleen; Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Shively, Roger; Mr. and Mrs. Robert Shively, Michael Dean; Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Wilfong, Donna Christine; and to Mr. and Mrs. Richard Spencer, Sara.

Marriages: Joann Carr to Keith McClarnon, June, 1950.

OMEGA CHAPTER

Lebanon, Indiana

OFFICERS

President.....	Madge Jones (Mrs. Byron)
Vice President.....	Eunice Shaw (Mrs. M. A.)
Secretary.....	Mrs. Gayle Bales
Cor. Secy.	
	Mary Beth Pauley (Mrs. James)
Treasurer.....	Peg Dunlap (Mrs. Walter)
Conductress	
	Wanda Shirling (Mrs. Wayne)

NEWS LETTER

Dear Sister Psi Otes:

In retrospect of this past year we of the Omega Chapter of Psi Iota Xi feel that we have a great deal of which to be proud. We started out the year as one big proud happy family—proud because Rosemary Weddle was elected Grand Conductress at convention, and happy because our September food auction added \$100 to our treasury. Gayle Bales and her committee came right along and took \$125 for books for our "Summer Reading Project." This project encourages children to read all summer and with the co-operation of our librarians we hold a contest and award books as prizes.

As the snow began to fall we all got a little panicky—"BAZAAR!" We'd known the date for a year but even so we started to "stew," sew and, at the last minute, bake. With Peg Dunlap and her committees working diligently and everyone co-operating we were rewarded by a total of \$600 profit.

Just when it was time to relax a little, along came Catherine Richardson, ways and means chairman, with nuts and candy for us to buy for the holidays. Catherine, being a super salesman, made us all learn to like pecans!

Our Dental Clinic was unusually successful this year with the capable guidance of Doll Parker together with her committees. Three thousand children were examined. An interesting observation made this year was the improved condition of children's teeth in the grades where they have been checked in Dental Clinic before. Our Dental Clinic expenses this year ran around \$300 so we definitely feel our efforts are justly rewarded.

In the way of new business we have added a chorus to our chapter. Mary Deer, formerly of the Peru Chapter, is our talented director. Thelma Davis is our accompanist and with twelve singing members we number fourteen in all. Each member devotes her time and talent for the pure joy of singing so you know what fun we do have. Our first program was a Christmas cantata which Mary Deer composed and which won first place in a manuscript contest. Needless to say, it is beautiful and she says we did it very well. When Rosemary in-

vited us to sing during the ritual for the installation of Gamma Mu we were most pleased and we all certainly enjoyed being a part of such a beautiful service.

You all might be interested to know that we entertained our husbands at one of our social meetings this year and it was a huge success. We had a wonderful attendance and a grand time. We think it's such a good idea that we're going to try it again.

That's all for now, girls. It's been so nice visiting with you and we all sincerely wish you a successful year.

Loyally, your Helicon News Reporter,
PATTY COLE.

Births: Jeanne Gayer (Mrs. Robert), son, David; Mary Beth Pauley (Mrs. James), son, Bruce; Hortense Richman (Mrs. Leo), daughter, Anne; Portia Vandivier (Mrs. Robert), son, Jon Steven; Patty Cole (Mrs. Jack), daughter, Mary Jane.

New Members: Fadetta Maple, Mary Frances McKinzie, Beverly Paxon, Jane Myers.

ALPHA ZETA CHAPTER

Thorntown, Indiana

OFFICERS

President.....	Mrs. Edith Flaningam
Vice President.....	Fern Millikan
Cor. Secy.....	Barbara Stall
Secretary.....	Henrietta Vehling
Treasurer.....	Genevieve Cones
Conductress.....	Frances Gadsin

NEWS LETTER

Our president, Edith Flaningam, guided Alpha Zeta Chapter through such a successful year, that we re-elected her.

Outstanding among our social activities were: a picnic at the home of Fern Millikan; a beautiful Christmas party at the Town Hall; a Valentine dessert bridge at the home of Mildred Spencer; an informative hobby talk and display by Mrs. Earl Peterson at her home; and a travlogue in costume by Mrs. O. R. Pfaff, who had recently returned from a South American visit.

We also had three very lovely guest parties. The first, to celebrate our anniversary, was held at the Presbyterian Church. State Representative Russell I. Richardson gave an interesting lecture about his recent trip to England. We were also entertained with musical numbers by three of our own members. Mrs. Barbara Henderson played the organ, Mrs. Rosemary Daggy played the piano, and Mrs. Edith Daniel sang.

Our husbands were the honored guests at a party in the Town Hall. The committee gave a most amusing radio program, complete with disc jockey. The men then modeled original Easter bonnets.

In May we honored our mothers and guests with a party at the Methodist

Church. After a lovely dessert, a Lebanon florist gave a demonstration making and using different flower arrangements with colorful fabrics as their background. The bouquets were given to the guests holding the lucky numbers.

We have contributed to all community drives including Red Cross, Boy Scouts, Cancer Control, T. B. Health Bond, Girl Scouts, and Girls' State. Again we were able to help a worthy girl further her education by a scholarship. Several children were given eye examinations and glasses were purchased.

The Psi Ote book shelf at the local Carnegie Library continues to grow.

A group of our members and their guests journeyed to Bloomington to attend the opera "Parsifal."

We are now quite busy getting ready for the traveling Speech and Hearing Clinic which is to be here two days in August.

ALPHA IOTA CHAPTER

Richmond, Indiana

OFFICERS

President	Patricia Kelley
Vice President.....	Marcia Griffis
Secretary	Marilyn Lane
Treasurer	Kathleen Quinlivan
Cor. Secy.	Barbara Kelley
Program Chairman.....	Janice Ozburn
Conductress	Gaynelle Goode

NEWS LETTER

Alpha Iota has certainly had a busy year. We got off to a big start with the remodeling and redecoration of the girls' recreation room at Wernle Children's Home. All of the girls felt their efforts were well spent, however, when we saw the joy and gratitude on the faces of the children as they saw their room for the first time. They were delighted with the new furnishings, curtains, ping-pong table and all the rest that went into making their room a "cozy spot." The staff and children at Wernle showed their appreciation by an open house for Alpha Iota and the entire community.

In the fall we had our annual rummage sale. Halloween was here and time for a costume party. We also took cider and doughnuts out to the children at Wernle Home so they could have a traditional Halloween too.

Christmas time and our yearly dance, the "Snow-Ball." A capacity crowd danced to the strains of Clyde Trask and his orchestra in the Leland Hotel Ballroom. Our other holiday activity was the filling of a Christmas basket for a needy family in the city. Both the toys and food were appreciated by this family of four children and our giving it made Christmas mean a little more to each of us.

Out hat style show-bridge was something new in Richmond this year. We

had this showing of new spring hats presented by one of our local stores shortly before Easter. This affair was held at the Forest Hills Country Club.

Our main project for the year, however, was the "Psi Ote Follies of 1950." This was a talent show with a cast of about sixty people directed by the Jerome Cargill Company of New York. This was our second consecutive year to have the Follies and so naturally we improved by last year's mistakes. After weeks and weeks of rehearsing we put on a show to three very appreciative audiences. With our profit of over \$1000 we plan to redecorate the boys' recreation room at Wernle Home in somewhat the same manner as the girls'.

This spring we initiated two new members and pledged twelve others. We are looking forward to our dinner and initiation of these girls soon. Then off to another busy and prosperous year.

ALPHA LAMBDA CHAPTER

Zionsville, Indiana

OFFICERS

President.....	Mary Frances Heinze
Vice President.....	Dorothea Renner
Cor. Secy.....	Gretchen Knox
Secretary.....	Helen Wagoner
Treasurer.....	Evelyn Verplank

NEWS LETTER

Alpha Lambda Chapter has had a busy and successful year starting with a bazaar held within our group to bolster our sorority account. Money making projects for our charity fund included a rummage sale; the sale of Christmas cards and stationery; bake sale; the raffle of an electric comforter; and a fashion show and tea.

We pledged and initiated five new members of whom we are very proud. These are: Helen Beard, Martha Frances Dunn, Claire Lohman, Joan Sheets, and Ann Ward.

The outstanding social event on our calendar was a dinner held October 21 celebrating the twenty-fifth anniversary of the founding of Alpha Lambda. It was a gala reunion since many of our members who have left Zionsville were here for the occasion. Six of our charter members, Gretel Foster, Imo Dunn, Doris Knox, Grace Knox, Ruth Mills and Esther Compton, were present and the party reached a fitting climax when Ruth Mills cut the beautiful three-tiered birthday cake she had baked in honor of the occasion.

Our chapter boasts five new babies this year. The mothers are Wilma Hudson, Ann Miller, Catherine Ross, Marcia Schooler, and Mary Frances Heinze.

During the year we entertained the I. M. P. S. sub-deb club with a canasta party and had a party for the high

school senior girls. Our final party of the year was a picnic at the country home of June Becker. Each member brought for one person a box lunch decorated on the outside to give a clue as to its contents. We drew numbers for the boxes and had to guess what each contained from the clues. Prizes were awarded for the boxes most cleverly decorated.

We are looking forward to an equally profitable and enjoyable program next year.

ALPHA PHI CHAPTER

Fortville, Indiana

OFFICERS

President	Gladys Wilkinson (Mrs. John F.)
Vice President	Jean Warfield (Mrs. Robert)
Secretary	Garnet Allen
Cor. Secy	Bonnie Hendrix (Mrs. Geo.)
Treasurer	Shirley Lummis
Conductress	Martha Perkins (Mrs. James)
Advisor	Catherine Everitt (Mrs. Harold F.)

NEWS LETTER

"Helicon Time" is here once again and Alpha Phi Chapter is happy to report on a happy, harmonious year.

Our president, Mrs. Catherine Everitt, opened our fall social season with a dinner-bridge party in her home with active and honorary members attending. The decorations and favors were in keeping with the fall season.

A masquerade party was held in October. Returning to our childhood days, we enjoyed a scavenger hunt and Halloween refreshments.

Our annual pledge service was held in November for four lovely candidates. Mrs. Foust Childer's lecture on her doll collection provided the evening's entertainment. During this month we held a showing of Hoosier Art Salon paintings in our public library in connection with our annual public book review. At this time our members became actively engaged in money making.

The holiday season was observed with the traditional dinner party, the exchanging of gifts and distributing of Christmas cheer baskets.

Impressive initiation services were held in January at the Pendleton Country Club.

Spring set the motif for our remaining social events, and many lovely parties were enjoyed by active and honorary members.

In June the honorary members were hostesses to the active members at a lovely party at the Top Hat Supper Club in Muncie.

We participated in all community and civic projects. Gifts of memorial books were made to the public library in memory of our deceased members. We were most happy to contribute \$100 to the Fortville P. T. A. towards the purchase of a new piano for the public school.

Business meetings were held in the public library and to express our appreciation a new painting of James Whitcomb Riley was hung in the children's section of the building.

New Members: Ruth Pritchard (Mrs. John), Charlotte Jones (Mrs. Charles), Elizabeth Jones (Mrs. William), Doris Ann Shaffer (Mrs. William).

Births: Mr. and Mrs. Harold Barrett, a boy; Dr. and Mrs. M. B. Ferrell, a boy; Mr. and Mrs. Adrian Heche, a girl, Mr. and Mrs. Duane Hiday, a boy; Mr. and Mrs. John Hiatt, a girl; Mr. and Mrs.



ALPHI PHI CHAPTER
Honorary members entertaining the active members at the Top Hat Supper Club.



FORTVILLE CENTENNIAL
PSI IOTA XI FLOAT

Won trophy—came in second in appropriateness. Left to right: Helen Ecoff, Edna Ferrell, Garnet Allen, Gladys Wilkinson, Rex Ecoff, Dee Brandon.

Charles Lewark, a boy; Mr. and Mrs. Robert Maddux, a boy; Mr. and Mrs. Robert Warfield, a girl; Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Pritchard, a boy; Mr. and Mrs. Donald Denger, a girl; Mr. and Mrs. Ray Flanagan, a boy; and Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Fuqua, a boy.

ALPHA CHI CHAPTER

Hagerstown, Indiana

OFFICERS

President.....	Mrs. Gene Worl
Vice President.....	Mrs. Robert Baer
Secretary.....	Mrs. E. B. Schultze
Cor. Secy.....	Mrs. J. Clyde Hoffman
Treasurer.....	Mrs. Harry Walker
Conductress.....	Mrs. Don Martin

NEWS LETTER

It's rather hard to write a letter containing news of an entire year. In retrospect, this year has been much like other years. We had the same money-raising projects — two rummage sales, our big card party, our movie ticket sales, and a couple of dances. Our charity work was much the same, too—buying school lunches for children, milk for the school children, Christmas baskets, and an expanded dental program for the school. We contributed money for two new uniforms for the high school band and helped, as usual, with the community projects as they came up. We bought one thing for ourselves—a big coffee maker—and nothing has given us more pleasure because we do like our coffee. At the same time we bought one for the high school auditorium so we really aren't too selfish.

Any one who has ever been program chairman for her chapter knows what a

tremendous task it is. Evadine Bryan did a wonderful job for us this year. We had a lovely South Pacific party for our President's Day meeting, a dinner dance for our husbands on Valentine Day, a "come-as-you-are" party which was a scream, a very nice guest party, and we had the Freedom Forum one evening—and I might say that if any of you have a chance to have the Freedom Forum presented you won't regret it.

At our last meeting our delegates gave glowing reports of convention. They had a wonderful time. And now we're resting for the summer—all of us except some committees which must work hard this summer so we can get off to a good start this fall.

Alpha Chi sends greetings to you all and best wishes for the Psi Ote new year.

New Members: Mrs. Guy Welliver, Mrs. Marion Davis, Mrs. Melvin Estey, Mrs. Russell Strong, Mrs. Richard Wright, Mrs. Clinton Van Ostrand.

Marriages: Norma Jean Brown to Eugene Stohler.

Births: Mr. and Mrs. Paul Beachler, boy; Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Mitchell, boy; Mr. and Mrs. Ted Seffrin, girl.

DELTA BETA CHAPTER

Indianapolis, Indiana

OFFICERS

President.....	Mrs. Martin Eastburn
Vice President.....	Mrs. John F. Conway
Secretary.....	Carol Brown
Cor. Secy.....	Mrs. Lester Nagley, Jr.
Treasurer.....	Mrs. Paul Nicely
Conductress.....	Mrs. S. G. Hill
Advisor.....	Mrs. Mack Reed

NEWS LETTER

Our first meeting of the 1949-1950 year was a pot luck dinner which started things out with a bang! Yummy food and lots of friendly "hello's" after summer vacations.

In October, we had Miss Rose Laird, representative of her own cosmetics from New York, who gave a delightful talk and demonstration. The exercises for beauty were in all seriousness but proved to be the event of the evening for hilarity. However, it was a wonderful way to combine both social and cultural activities.

Marie Adams, an honorary member of Alpha Phi Chapter of Fortville and a missionary, was our guest in November and presented an interesting illustrated lecture of the Forbidden City of Peiping, China.

Our Christmas party tradition of bringing gifts to the meeting for the aged ladies in the Julietta Home was a huge success. Over 500 gifts were distributed to them shortly before Christmas with thankful smiles as our reward.

Our charity committee has continued its untiring efforts to make things more comfortable for these inmates. Throughout the year we have donated bed pads and sheets, plastic aprons, trays, talcum and soap, and each and every one received a pair of hose from us.

In the following months we had Robert Newell of the Indianapolis News; Kenneth Miller, executive secretary of the Indiana Crippled Children's Society; and Carroll Reynolds, co-director of public information from the Chamber of Commerce, who all gave interesting information in their specialized fields.

Delta Beta entertained Grand Council in March and had our own Mary Louise Eluere tell us of her travels around the world with the Red Cross.

We celebrated the 21st anniversary of our chapter in April and were pleased to honor Joyce Eastburn as one of the charter members.

In addition to our Julietta Home project, we purchased a radio-phonograph combination for a little boy who is hopelessly crippled from tuberculosis of the spine and donated \$25 to send a little



Proceeds of the Biltcliff concert being presented to E. J. Shea, assistant administrator of the Indiana University Medical Center by a group of Psi Otes. The funds were used to establish the Psi Iota Xi Emergency Polio Fund, which all chapters may support. Those pictured are: 1. to r. Mrs. Robert (Ann) Elson, of Gamma Theta, Speedway; Mrs. Borden (Mildred) Purcell, Delta, Indianapolis; Mrs. Chester (Maxine) Poor, Speedway; Mrs. Fred (Sue) Fosler, and Mrs. Martin (Joyce) Eastburn, both of Delta Beta, Indianapolis.

crippled girl to Camp Koch. We bought a T. B. bond, and gave to the Red Cross and Children's Museum and also sent \$80 to the Speech and Hearing Clinic at Ball State to be applied on room and board for one boy.

As a highlight of the year we were very proud to see our Mary Anne Reed elected Grand President at the Purdue convention—so proud, indeed, that 24 of our members attended the Saturday lunch-

eon and business session to see her installed. It was truly a wonderful way to end the year.

New Members: Gloria Ann Martin, Portland; Mary L. Eluere, Vincennes; Rosemary Marshall, Washington; Mary Lou Trippett, Petersburg; Helen Fox, North Vernon; Sue Wallace, Sullivan; Betty Bassett, Angola; Kathryn Cory, Hagerstown; Dody Kappes, Kokomo; Betty Miller, Logansport; Sara Richey, Greensburg; Beulah Keith, Bloomfield; Betty Robb, Logansport; Frances Burgett, Lafayette.

Pledges: Ann Cockley, Margaret Ann Haymaker, Joy Richey, Norma Jean Seal, Barbara Bremmerman, Dorothy Nelson, Mary Richey.

Births: To Mr. and Mrs. Linus Minick, a boy.

Marriages: Eileen Griffith to David Scott.

BETA ZETA CHAPTER

Summitville, Indiana

OFFICERS

President.....	Lois Melling
Vice President.....	Priscilla Howell
Secretary	Helen Nottingham
Treasurer.....	Joanne Nixon
Cor. Secy.....	Martha Van Ness
Conductress.....	Mary Jane Brewer
Advisor.....	Margaret Vinson

NEWS LETTER

Beta Zeta is happy to have Joanne Nixon of Beta Theta, Eaton, affiliate with us, and we do feel we have enjoyed a successful year under the capable leadership of our past president, Mrs. Margaret Vinson.

We will be sorry to lose, as an active member, Mrs. Nancy Johnson, who recently moved to Kokomo and plans to affiliate with Kappa Chapter there.

Our social events each month were something to look forward to and included something new this year—a family New Year's Eve party in the Lions' Club Den.

Not a Halloween party for October but a Hobo's Convention with clever refreshments in paper bags and eaten while seated on the floor. Our Christmas party was one of the loveliest of the year with a co-operative dinner and gift exchange, plus a book review of the "Littlest Angel" by Iris Lerch, of Muncie.

With spring came our spring auction, with goodies to sell and pretties to buy and made us \$25.00. February 14th brought us Valentines and a magician's act, something different in entertainment and by local talent too, Dr. Van Ness.

Our birthday party was something to celebrate for it was Beta Zeta's 20th



New officers installed by Beta Zeta, Summitville. Reading l. to r. Mary Jane Brewer, conductress; Joanne Nixon, treasurer; Helen Nottingham, secretary; Lois Melling, president; Priscilla Howell, vice president; Martha VanNess, corresponding secretary; Margaret Vinson, advisor.



All members present, night of installation of new officers, Beta Zeta Chapter, Summitville. Reading l. to r. Back row: Aschah Smith, Dolly Fulton, Helen Nottingham, Alma Rose Vinson, Ann Miller, Lois Melling, Nancy Johnson, Helen Irwin, Mary Jane Brewer.

Middle row: Nelle Graham, Martha VanNess, Martha Martin, Priscilla Howell, Mabel Beeson, Mabel Bruning, Madaline Himelick.

Front: Mary Jane Forrest, Margaret Vinson.

birthday. And one of our highlights each year is the May Breakfast. This year's breakfast was at Mangas Annex in Elwood. The table decorations presented a large Maypole and umbrellas in sorority colors and individual corsages of small umbrellas. We all feasted on ham and eggs and plenty of hot biscuits.

Needless to mention, delegates and some other members attended and thoroughly enjoyed province meeting at Portland and mid-year luncheon in Indianapolis.

We held our two rummage sales for money (spring and fall) and our profits were \$150.00. We mailed our surplus rummage to Prentiss Institute, Prentiss, Miss. We found it more fun spending money than making money for we donated to our Lions' Club Community Building both in money and equipment, to the Cancer fund, March of Dimes, Tuberculosis, Heart Association, Red Cross, and symphony maintenance. At Christmas, we presented gifts to our

polio patients and food baskets to eleven needy families.

We also worked eagerly to sprout a dental health program to help our community as we have no local dentist. This progressed only to the point of distributing tooth brushes and tooth paste and instructions as to proper use to the first four grades of our local school. However, we voted to carry out small projects concerning health that arise. So may our work go on and grow as it goes for "it is a noble thing to give cheer to those less fortunate about you."

BETA ETA CHAPTER

Centerville, Indiana

OFFICERS

President	Mrs. Ralph Ahl
Vice President	Mrs. Tom Fulton
Cor. Secy.	Mrs. William Hodowal
Treasurer	Mrs. Richard Shadle
Secretary	Mrs. Malcolm Fulton
Conductress	Mrs. Harold Schondelmayer
Scrap Book	Mrs. Stanley Jackson
Publicity	Mrs. Richard Mason
Advisor	Mrs. Frank Steins

NEWS LETTER

July of this year marked the twentieth anniversary of Psi Iota Xi in Centerville. We are planning a big celebration at which time we will honor our four remaining charter members. This year we have an active membership of fifty girls, our biggest ever.

Beta Eta has had a varied charity program this year. We have contributed to the Red Cross, Tuberculosis Seals, Community Chest, and helped to buy uniforms for the high school band. We also remembered the needy families in our community at Christmas time with baskets of food. We have continued our milk-lunch program at the school and sold advertising for the 4-H Fair which is our most successful money making project.

At our rough initiation party in April, we had a unique program in the form of an election complete with campaigning, speeches and voting booths.

Our program for the past year has meant a lot of work for all of us but we have not overlooked our social activities and our fellowship together has been very beneficial and enjoyable to each and every one. We are looking forward to another successful year with Psi Ote.

New Members: Miss Janice Hatfield, Mrs. Glen Davis, Mrs. Donald Craig.

Marriages: Joyce Davis to Paul Greaf; Rosalind Longnecker to Virgil Davis.

Births: To Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Crowe, a boy, Thomas E.; To Mr. and Mrs. John Crowe, a boy, Douglas Jan; to Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Ferriell, a boy, Malcolm Craig; to Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Hines, a girl, Mary Beth; to Mr. and Mrs. Paul Haley, a boy, John Frederick.

BETA THETA CHAPTER

Eaton, Indiana

OFFICERS

President.....Garnet Marsh (Mrs. Ermal)
 Vice President.....Mildred Butterfield (Mrs. Ralph)
 Secretary.....Rose Pierce (Mrs. Miles)
 Cor. Secy.....Ellen Carter (Mrs. Watson)
 Treasurer.....Gladys Frederick (Mrs. Forrest)
 Conductress.....Gloria Reuch
 Advisor.....Madonna Chalfant (Mrs. Claude)

NEWS LETTER

We have developed ourselves intellectually this year by having book reviews, readings and skits at our social meetings.

February 21st we entertained our husbands and beaus at our annual "Gentleman's Nite" dinner and games party.

Lucille Shook and Eileen Carter had the pleasure of attending the opera "Parsifal" at Bloomington this spring.

In May we entertained our senior girls at a beautiful dessert and games party at the lovely country home of Mildred Nottingham. Gold pen and pencil sets were given each senior guest and door prizes were awarded at the close of a most pleasant afternoon. Assisting Mrs. Nottingham were Marie Peterson, Eileen Carter, Belle Hendrix, and Virginia Pittman.

Our chapter was divided into six groups for raising money. Christmas greetings, everyday cards, novelty salt and pepper shakers, napkins, candy and nuts were sold and we sponsored a skating party. So-Nu, a cleaning preparation, was sold by the entire chapter.

For our charitable work during the last quarter we contributed and canvassed for the community fund, and donated to the Christmas Cheer fund of Eastern Star. We were happy to contribute to the Vocational Agriculture Building fund for the purpose of adding an "Ag" building on our school grounds. Eaton has not had an industrial arts course for several years due to lack of space. Now that the agriculture course has a new building, industrial arts will again be in our school. We were proud to present them with an electric grinder.

Cheers to Chi Chapter, we had a wonderful time at convention.

New Members: Lois Kelly (Mrs. Roger); Margaret Huffman (Mrs. John).

Weddings: Shirley Lambert to Gurvis Conner; Margaret Zigler to William Hess.

Engagements: Gloria Reuch to Neil Johnson; Pat Butterfield to Richard Cain.

Births: A daughter, Cynthia, to Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Sharpe; a son, Mike, to Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Brewer.

Members who have moved: Mrs. Roger Lingeman to Indianapolis, Joanne Nixon to Summitville, Mrs. Myron Beesley to Delphi.

BETA IOTA CHAPTER

Farmland, Indiana

OFFICERS

President.....Mrs. John (Grace) Hubbard
 Vice President.....Mrs. Clyde (Ermel) Gordon
 Treasurer.....Mrs. Laurel (Joan) Smith
 Secretary.....Mrs. Robert (Rosina) Sites
 Cor. Secy.....Mrs. John (Delores) Burnworth
 Conductress.....Mrs. Harvey (Faye) White

NEWS LETTER

The biggest event of the year was a "Womanless Wedding" sponsored by our chapter. We believe almost every man in Farmland and vicinity was a member of the cast and we know everyone for miles around must have attended. In fact we made so much money that we didn't have to work so hard the rest of the year. It was a hilarious show and a howling success.

In May we held our annual Mother's Day tea, and from all reports it was one of the nicest ever held.

Also, as a means of raising money for charity, we sold salad dressing and spoons and sponsored a Stanley Party from which we received a nice percentage of the income.

Our next event was sponsoring the Junior City Slickers.

The proceeds from our projects have gone to help out in several drives, giving the needy food and clothing, a scholarship to a deserving high school graduate, the Riley Memorial fund and sending a student to Girls' State.

Our delegates to convention this year were Mrs. Ralph Thornburg and Mrs. John Burnworth.

Oh, yes, another new and worthwhile event sponsored by the sorority was the Christmas Community Sing held in our gym. This will be an annual affair.

So an old year is ended and we sincerely hope a progressive and happy year lies ahead for Beta Iota and all her sister Psi Otes.

Our new members for 1949-50 were: Mrs. William (Izetta Sue) Morris II, Mrs. Sanford (Margaret) Heald, and Mrs. Jay (Thelma) McAllister.

Also, we are happy and fortunate indeed, to have new members affiliated from other chapters as follows: Mrs. Rosemary Snider, Greensburg; Mrs. Mary June Marlin, Shelbyville; and Mrs. Robert Tom, Centerville.

Mrs. Norma Flood is welcomed back after having been an out-of-town member for a few years.

Births: To Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Hitchcock, a son; to Mr. and Mrs. Donald Driskill, a daughter, and to Mr. and Mrs. Richard Slaughter, a son.

Marriages: Miss Katherine Alexander to Eugene Foutz.

BETA PI CHAPTER

Cambridge City, Indiana

OFFICERS

President.....	Virginia Martin
Vice President.....	Eunice Ballinger
Secretary.....	Alice Butt
Cor. Secy.....	Olga Page
Treasurer.....	Doris Palin
Conductress.....	Catherine Kitterman
Historian.....	Nancy Walters

NEWS LETTER

True to tradition that Psi Otes are equal to any occasion, Joyce Straub along with having a baby and moving her residence took over the presidency when Joyce Jones left for Antioch College.

Our social program started with an auction and card game party followed by a ghost masquerade in October, the exchange of gifts and revelation of secret sisters at Christmas time, the resurrecting of Easter bonnets of long ago for our April get-together, a dinner honoring our mothers and a co-operative supper for our pledges, Audrey Brooks, Mary Hart, and Coyeta Miller.

One of the highlights of the year was the entertaining of our sister Psi Otes of Centerville and Hagerstown with an informal evening of listening to Genevieve Kniese play her cello and tell us her experiences in France, Germany and Switzerland.

In January we observed our fifteenth anniversary. Suzette Atkins, a Jamaican student at Earlham College, spoke about her homeland and sang native songs. The remainder of the evening was spent reminiscing over scrapbooks and old pictures of the early days of Beta Pi. The party was appropriately climaxed with the taking of movies of the group, among which were several charter members.

Psi Ote not only means fun and fellowship but it also means work. Our chief money-making endeavors have been the concession stand at the skating rink and the selling of birthday calendars for the purpose of continuing our support to the following: Indianapolis Symphony, Red Cross, Art Salon, T. B. Seals, Girl Scouts, School for Parents, the milk fund, sending a child to Ball State Speech and Hearing Clinic for the third consecutive year, and the scholarship award of \$100. The recipient of this award is Barbara Johnson who will enter Ball Hospital for nurse's training. We were happy to donate twenty-five dollars to the school band for new uniforms.

Births: Daughters to Mr. and Mrs. Reid Allen, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Hormel, and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Stratton. Sons to Mr. and Mrs. Jack Butler, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Straub, and Mr. and Mrs. Maynard Wolf.

BETA TAU CHAPTER

Frankfort, Indiana

OFFICERS

President.....	Louise Le Hew
Vice President.....	Joan Strain
Treasurer.....	Esther Fudge
Cor. Secy.....	Gloria Fife
Secretary.....	Eunice Johnson
Conductress.....	Mary Jean Strain

NEWS LETTER

The high light of our year was the style show which was held at the Central Auditorium with Psi Otes and some of their families modeling in a most professional manner. The theme was "Through the Looking Glass," and Mrs. Mary Depoy made a very capable chairman. We made a lot of money and received a lot of praise.

Our annual benefit bridge and summer "Cotton Ball" were both huge successes, and one of our most entertaining socials was the literary meeting in the home of Mrs. Helen Erdel when Mrs. Claude Potts, from Lebanon, gave an amusing lecture entitled "Remember When."

In February we entertained our husbands and boy friends at a barn dance held at the Izaak Walton Cabin. Young and old had a hilarious time but all this unaccustomed activity sure made some joints creak.

Our sorority pledged \$500.00 to the building of a new wing on the hospital.

The only blight on our whole year was the accidental death of Mrs. Ilma Cresap. Ilma's talent for music and her sunny disposition endeared her to all the girls in the sorority.

We took in five new members this year. They were: Shirley Grafton, Beverly Hood, Marie Gearhart, Mary Akers, and Nina Unger.

BETA UPSILON CHAPTER

Mount Vernon, Ohio

OFFICERS

President....	Marion Deeley (Mrs. Geo. E.)
Vice President	
	Helen Pond (Mrs. William C.)
Secretary....	Evelyn Rudin (Mrs. John, Jr.)
Cor. Secy.	Madeleine Hill (Mrs. Robert N.)
Treasurer.....	Aileen Gill (Mrs. Charles C.)

NEWS LETTER

Launching a new project kept the Beta Upsilon Psi Otes well occupied during this last business year; however, we still managed a bit of time for some pleasant social activities, too. Women can always do that!

In co-operation with a men's service club and the public library we organized and operated library service for the patients in our two hospitals. The men's contributions were two very nice Book-

mobiles, or metal carts on wheels, and the public library supplies the books and the filing equipment. The librarian is responsible for the selection of the books and for the replenishing of and additions to these books. What do we do? Each of us has one day a month to serve in one of the hospitals. Each hospital is served one day a week by two girls, and about 125 patients are rendered this service free of charge each week. In addition to the books, a supply of magazines and a ceiling projector are available. This project costs us so very little other than our time, and it has been received by the patients with enthusiasm and appreciation.

In addition to this project, we have continued our birthday parties at the Children's Home, providing gifts for the honorees each month and cake and ice cream for all. At Christmas we remember these children with a gift such as a bird cage, food and a parakeet for each playroom. Also, each Boy and Girl Scout was given his dues by our group, and we sent seven boys to a Y.M.C.A. camp for a week. The money for all this we earned through two rummage sales, a few donations, and the redemption of the state sales tax stamps. Though we haven't spent a great amount of money, we feel that we have made a great number of people very happy.

Socially, we had a white elephant game party after one of our meetings, a bit of Christmas cheer in the form of a gift exchange and party, a Valentine dessert-bridge, an informal dinner and



Mrs. Louise Koch, of Mount Vernon, Ohio, introducing the Bookmobile to a patient in one of the Mount Vernon hospitals.

party for our husbands, and then closed the year, as always, with our annual picnic "for members only," this year honoring our immediate past president, Louise Koch, and another past president and very dear member who is leaving town—we'll all miss Helen Vaupel.

Again, as at the end of each year, we like to say "this is the best year yet"—and thus we feel we are progressing!

Marriages: Miss Kathryn Jahnke to Dr. W. F. Hume, Hamilton, Ohio, Sept., 1949.

Births: To Mr. and Mrs. Stephen P. Upham, Jr., a daughter, Stephanie, April, 1950.

New Members: Janet Westermann (Mrs. Walter J.) and Dolores Pumphrey (Mrs. Gordon M.)

DELTA EPSILON CHAPTER

Muncie, Indiana

OFFICERS

President

Mary Van Skyock (Mrs. Rolland)

Vice President and Cor. Secy.

Betty Prow (Mrs. Robert)

Secretary.....Martha Harrold (Mrs. James)

Treasurer.....Jean Gill (Mrs. Thomas)

Publicity Chairman

Alice Hickman (Mrs. William)

NEWS LETTER

Delta Epsilon Chapter started the year with a September business meeting at the home of the president. At this meeting we voted to continue selling miscellaneous cards and various novelties. These sales in addition to proceeds received from raffles at meetings throughout the year and a rummage sale in May did swell our treasury beyond our expectations.

As our treasury grew so did our charitable acts. In December appropriate gifts plus a contribution for clothing were donated to the Marion Veterans Hospital. In addition to the above we donated to the Camp-Sing-A-Long Pier Fund and the Muncie Symphony Orchestra. At one meeting we spent the entire evening hemming wash cloths for the Red Cross. Near the close of the year our attention was drawn to a needy family whom we did aid to the best of our knowledge. We are planning to follow up this family during the coming year.

We were fortunate to have had the Hoosier Art Salon at Ball State Teachers' College during March. Miss Nichols, art instructor at the college, conducted our chapter through the exhibit and gave interesting and enlightening information on the pictures and artists.

Another highlight of the year for us came when our chapter was asked to usher for the Muncie Symphony May Concert. Mrs. William Hickman, a mem-

ber of our chapter, is a flutist with the orchestra.

Our year terminated with a dinner at Carpenter's farm. After dinner we returned to the home of Jean Gill for a business meeting and installation of officers. Thus we disbanded for the summer with high hopes for the year to come.

Marriages: Jean Shute to Dr. Thomas Gill.

Births: To Elaine and Marshall Hanley, a girl, September, 1949; to Louise and William Reid, a boy, March, 1950.

BETA CHI CHAPTER

Waynetown, Indiana

OFFICERS

President.....Chitra Bunnell (Mrs. Frank)

Vice President

Mildred Landis (Mrs. Robert)

Corresponding Secretary

Georgeanna Faucett (Mrs. Homer)

Secy....Pauline Grenard (Mrs. Richard)

Treas....Ethel Mae Holman (Mrs. Russell)

Con.....Madonna Jones (Mrs. Edgar)

Symphony Chairman

Helen Keeling (Mrs. Russell)

NEWS LETTER

Beta Chi Chapter has enjoyed this year both its social and charitable activities. As our special charitable project, we established our Student Loan Fund for graduating seniors for further study in their chosen professions. We sponsor the Girl Scouts. We gave \$100 to the Community Scout Fund, and \$25 to the Culver Hospital Guild. Other contributions were to the March of Dimes, Tuberculosis Society, and Red Cross.

We bought season tickets for the Indianapolis Symphony, and furnished transportation for 39 high school students to a symphony concert. We furnished transportation for 41 students to Lafayette to see "Vagabond King." Also, we purchased four student season tickets for the Crawfordsville Community Concerts.

Beta Chi Chapter was a co-sponsor in sending a high school boy to Hoosier Boys' State.

Our Psi Ote sextet was organized and made several appearances.

Our money making projects were: Food sale, community card party, and profits from our coke and pop corn machines. At each meeting we have a penny fund and surprise package raffle.

Social events have been a dinner party for our husbands at Turkey Run Hotel, a Christmas party, anniversary dinner at the Municipal Club House, a party at the home of one of our associate members, Mrs. Norris Shelby, in Indianapolis, a tea for the high school senior girls, and our usual pledge and initiation parties.

We were happy to have Mrs. Louis

Darst of Iota Chapter as our guest for several meetings.

Our pianist, Mrs. Gerald Hudson, and our corresponding secretary, Mrs. Laurel Meade, have moved to Lafayette.

New Members: Vivian Venis (Mrs. Merle) Glenn Birdcell (Mrs. Jack).

Births: To Mr. and Mrs. Manson Simmons, a son; to Mr. and Mrs. George Gravitt, Jr., a son; to Mr. and Mrs. Marx Merrell, a son; to Mr. and Mrs. Laurel Meade, a daughter.

GAMMA ALPHA CHAPTER

Portland, Indiana

OFFICERS

President.....Miss Mary Jane Dollins

Vice President

Gladys Gardner (Mrs. Don)

Secretary.....Ethelyn Glentzer (Mrs. Joe)

Treasurer

Mary Lou Brigner (Mrs. Elvin)

Cor. Secy.....Lorna Snyder (Mrs. Robert)

Conductress.....Mary Jones (Mrs. Robert)

NEWS LETTER

Gamma Alpha was very proud of its president, Sis Peterson, who served her second year as chapter president and became a member of Grand Council as our province chairman. Sis has done a grand job and we wish her much luck.

We started working to sell tickets to the forum series with three splendid programs, Judge Kelly, juvenile judge, International Dance Trio, and the Purdue Club. They sold so well that we were able to sponsor an extra program, the Richmond Civic Theater. These were held in our high school auditorium. Each year they become more successful for our community.

We had a grand time at the wiener roast for our Halloween party, with the officers being hostesses.

In November we had the honor of being hostess to the province meeting. The business meeting was held at our Elks'



Birthday Party of Gamma Alpha Chapter, Portland.

Club and the luncheon at the Portland Country Club. We had quite a turn-out. Our theme was the landing of the Pilgrims.

The antique show proved very successful this year. It was held for two days at the Portland Armory. We made over \$500.00. This money goes into our scholarship fund each year. We are helping a graduate this year, planning to send her all four years.

At Christmas time we had our annual party at the Grange Hall. We had a delicious dinner and a gift exchange. Valentine Day is the time for our annual dance. This year we had a "Sweetheart Ball." It was held at the Armory, which means lots and lots of decorating for the committee.

Gamma Alpha sponsored the crippled children for the first time. Portland was wide awake this year because of this being one of last year's terribly stricken polio areas. We were in charge of the seal sale.

Of course spring is the time for rush parties for our senior girls. A dinner was held at the country club for them with a skit put on by our girls. We were quite pleased to get eight senior girls this year. Of course we are proud of our other new member, too, which makes a total of nine new members.

The last of May, Inter-Sorority Council got together and planned a party. It was held at the country club with each sorority sponsoring a short program. We performed a minstrel. I believe the girls putting it on enjoyed it as much as the audience. There was a puppet show, bubble dance, television show, an orchestra and a style show.

Last of all was our spring banquet to which everyone looked forward. Our new president, Miss Mary Jane Dollins, officiated in a pledge service for our new members. This was a special year, being our tenth anniversary. It was certainly a grand party with a birthday cake and all. We hope Gamma Alpha has as much good luck, good times, and success the next ten years as we did the past ten.

New Members: Alice McCrum, Nadine Swetnam, Donna Shoemaker, Martha Sue Whiteman, Marcia Jellison, Millicent McConochy, Nancy Miller, Anita Miller, Julia Starbuck (Mrs. Haynes).

Marriages: Ethelyn Norris to Joe Glentzer, Ruth Stout to Robert Miller, Lois Bray to Pete Councilman.

Death: Garnet Ginn, Feb. 27, 1950.

Births: Mr. and Mrs. William Brigham, a boy; Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Miller, girl; Mr. and Mrs. William Schoenlein, boy; Mr. and Mrs. William Smith, boy; and Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Wehrly, boy.



New Psi Otes. Portland—These pledges were initiated by Gamma Alpha Chapter, Psi Iota Xi Sorority, in candlelight services in July. Left to right, Nancy Miller, Nadine Swetnam, Marcia Jellison, Alice McCrum, Donna Shoemaker, Millicent McConochy, Anita Miller, Martha Sue Whiteman, and Mrs. Haynes Starbuck.

GAMMA DELTA CHAPTER

Attica, Indiana

OFFICERS

President.....	Marguerite Smith
Vice President.....	Betty Swift
Secretary.....	Lois Johnson
Cor. Secy.....	Blanche Robinson
Treasurer.....	Laurett Crain
Conductress.....	Aldine McKee
Advisor.....	Thelma Stuterville

NEWS LETTER

Under the capable leadership of Thelma Stuterville and the co-operation of all our members, we have had a most successful year. We have worked hard but we have also had some fun. In October, we had a potluck supper for the Psi Ote husbands. We still remember all the good food we had and how much everyone enjoyed the evening.

Marge Lambert and her charity committee have had much activity this year. At Christmas we decided to give a personal gift to the occupants of Warren and Fountain County Homes instead of a gift exchange among our members. The committee visited these homes and found out what each person wanted most



Attica Psi Ote "Flying Saucers" Basketball game — played against Tri Kappa Jet Bombers.



Attica ball game — Girls portrayed each month of the year as they broke through the calendar.

of all for Christmas. These gifts, attractive stockings, which were filled with fruit, candy, and nuts, and boxes of decorated cookies were delivered to the homes before our Christmas dinner party.

On August 23, 1949, a daughter, Vanna Lee, was welcomed in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Woodrow Wolfe.

For our money making projects we had several: Selling of greeting cards, nuts, a square dance, a style show — which was presented by L. S. Ayres and Company, a rummage sale, and a basketball game. Emma Alice Kirkman, as chairman of the finance committee, worked very hard and did a splendid job. We made the most money on the style show, the easiest on the rummage sale, but the one that everyone enjoyed most of all was the basket ball game. This was a game between the Psi Otes (Flying Saucers) and the Tri Kappas (Jet Bombers). The costumes of the players as well as those of the other members of the two sororities caused much laughter. There was some comedy mixed in throughout the game. Between halves young girls portrayed each month of the year as they broke through the calendar. The two sororities gave the proceeds towards the maintenance of the city park.

We helped with the Red Cross Drive and sponsored the Cancer Drive. We contributed to many local and national charitable organizations.

On June 19th, before our annual dinner at the country club, we initiated the following pledges, Lillian Duncan, Audrey Pogue, Carolyn Stewart, and Marquette Van Landeghem, and after dinner the officers for 1950-51 were installed.

GAMMA EPSILON CHAPTER

Covington, Indiana

OFFICERS

President	Marceline McGurk
Vice President.....	Sarabel Smith
Secretary.....	Ruth Dicks
Cor. Secy.....	Violet Clark
Treasurer.....	Margaret Henthorn
Conductress.....	Minnie Cade
Advisor.....	Margaret Suzuki

NEWS LETTER

October 10th, pledging ceremony was held for three girls at the home of Mrs. T. McGurk. The pledges entertained us with a "Gay Nineties" style show. October 24th, initiation rites were followed by a dinner at the Grier-Lincoln Hotel. On family night we entertained our husbands at the library room with a turkey dinner and a "Dr. Vicks' Q. Program." During the Christmas holidays we had a party for the underprivileged school children, giving them gifts of clothing and



"Gay Nineties" style show, given by pledges of Gamma Epsilon Chapter, Covington, I. to r. Mrs. Earl Ward, Mrs. Shirley Nester, Miss Joan Polk.

toys. An autograph hunt was greatly enjoyed. A potluck was held at the home of Miss Anna Aldridge. Our sixth anniversary dinner was held at the Elks Club, Danville, Illinois.

Our money making projects for the year: Wheel-chair benefit basketball played by the "Lucky Seven" and "The Gizz Kids" (paraplegic G. I. students of the University of Illinois); a rummage sale; a play "Belvedere" given by the Red Mask Players, of Danville, Illinois; white elephant, games and popcorn sales.

The year was officially closed June 26th in the rose garden at the home of Mrs. Forrest Leas, with the installation of the new officers.

After installation we were entertained by two sorority daughters, Cora Lee Derringer and Ann Brooks, with a report on their trip to Girls' State.

New Members: Mrs. Shirley Nester, Miss Joan Polk, Mrs. Earl Ward and Mrs. Gene Brooks.

Births: To Mr. and Mrs. Don Reichert, a daughter, Linda Lee.

GAMMA ETA CHAPTER

Knightstown, Indiana

OFFICERS

President...Alliene Etchells (Mrs. Peter)

Vice President

Dorothy Dority (Mrs. Donald)

Secretary.....Mary Lou Livingston

Cor. Secy.

Luanna Williams (Mrs. James)

TreasurerJoan Daggy

Conductress.....Janet Bush (Mrs. Ralph)

NEWS LETTER

Our first meeting held in September was purely business, but I must add it wasn't all business during the 1949-1950

season. We did have our fun, thanks to our competent program committee, which consisted of Helen Smith, Mardelle Todd and Louise Brown.

Our second meeting in September was a "Kid Party" which was a huge success, all girls remembering when they had pigtails, dresses above their knees, all day suckers, large hair bows, dolls and what-have-you.

With October came our third anniversary dinner party to which each Psi Ote of Gamma Eta looks forward. This year Mrs. Ivan Hill received the associate patron's membership initiation by our president, Eloise Hayden, assisted by Ruth Schweitzer. We deem it a great honor to have Mrs. Hill with our chapter.

Our first money-making project included a magazine subscription drive; next came a book review given by Mrs. Olive Tinder. Following this we had our rummage sales, food sales, household hint book project, on which I might add that our president went "all out" on this project and really earned this money for Gamma Eta. Our hats off to Eloise, who did a fine job. We had our Christmas dance, raffle, sale of salt water taffy, and we started on our Dure pottery sales.

Our main charity program this year consisted of the purchase of a resuscitator donated to the citizens of Knights-town and surrounding towns. Additional



Gamma Eta, Knightstown, proudly displays the achievement cup presented to its members at the 1950 convention for work during the past year. Eloise Hayden, 1949-50 president, is holding the cup. Allien Etchells, incoming president, is on the right.

donations were Teen Town, T. B. Bond, Civic Cheer Guild, Cancer Fund, Red Cross, and sending a delegate to Girls' State.

We had fun in between all of these activities. Our Thanksgiving party came in November, next came the Christmas party, our backward party in January, something new to us, our carry-in-dinner was a welcome evening, and our Easter bonnet program brought the most original Easter hats modeled by our Psi Otes. Honors went to Alliene Etchells that evening for her creation.

With May came our May breakfast honoring the senior girls of Knightstown High School. Every Psi Ote enjoys this affair not only to greet all seniors but to some of us it is the only full course breakfast we have during the entire year. Compliments for the success of this program go to Lucille Mettel, Mardelle Todd and Eloise Hayden.

As the year closes we are looking forward to the initiation dinner honoring our five new members.

The past year has been a very enjoyable one under the leadership of our president, Eloise Hayden, and we are looking forward to the coming year.

New Members: Charlotte Anderson, Betty Brammer, Wilma Ledbetter (Mrs. Roy), Annabelle Siders (Mrs. Dale), Mary Lynn Woods.

Marriages: Carolyn Thomas to Ralph Wooden, Jr.

Engagements: Mary Alice Lockhart to Richard Cooper; Joan Daggy to Ralph Webb.

Births: A son, Joel Hadley, to Dr. and Mrs. Ralph Bush; a daughter, Margene, to Mr. and Mrs. Donald Hopkins; a son, John Robert, to Mr. and Mrs. Sam White.

DELTA CHI CHAPTER

Washington, D. C.

OFFICERS

President	Maurine Cupples (Mrs. Homer)
Vice President.....	Catherine Covell
Secretary	Betty Ashworth (Mrs. J. T.)
Treasurer.....	Aileen Taylor
Cor. Secy.....	Annabelle Lovelace (Mrs. Harold)

NEWS LETTER

Delta Chi Chapter enjoyed a very fine year. Election of officers took place at a meeting in June at the home of Altina Phillips. Twelve members were present. We were happy to welcome a new member, Margaret Stormont, from Princeton, Indiana. Along with our meeting, we enjoyed a steak fry in the yard of Altina's lovely new home. We do not hold meetings in the summer but will start our new year in September with Maurine Cupples, our newly-installed president.

GAMMA THETA CHAPTER

Speedway, Indiana

OFFICERS

President.....Maxine Poor (Mrs. Chester)

Vice President.....

Ruthanna Moss (Mrs. Walter)

Cor. Secy.....

Berniece Robbins (Mrs. Everitt)

Rec. Secy.....Jessie Nay (Mrs. Charles)

Treasurer.....Alice Anderson (Mrs. William)

Conductress....Mary Malaska (Mrs. Dean)

NEWS LETTER

Our social parties have consisted of various programs, such as a lovely Christmas party and gift exchange, white elephant and games party, backward party, bridge and canasta party, musical program, a speaker from a florist shop, and a speaker from state police headquarters on hand writing.

In June our second pledge service was held for our six new pledges, followed by the installation of our new officers for the coming year. Our annual scholarship award of \$100.00 was given to Ray Stewart, one of our worthy Speedway High School seniors.

We have recently purchased a new hospital bed and equipment, which will be kept in our community, and loaned out to a family who is in need of it. We are happy to have placed it in a home where it is needed so much.

We have helped several needy families with cash, clothing and food.

Our money making projects have consisted of selling jewelry, selling pecans, rummage sales, white elephant sales and one bake sale. Our most recent project was a coffee and doughnut stand, during the Speedway 500-Mile Race. It proved to be very profitable and we all had lots of fun.

We have plans to sell Dure Pottery and this will be our first money-making project for this fall.

We are looking forward to another year with a lot of activities.

The new pledges are Mrs. Maureen Fuller, Mrs. Edith Griffin, Mrs. Helen Noble, Mrs. Enola Manifold, Miss Donna Thorne and Miss Jane Kennedy.

Marriages: Miss Lee Schoenewey to Mr. Larry Taylor.

Births: Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Johnson, a daughter.



MID-YEAR LUNCHEON 1950

Southern Province



MARIAN LUCAS

Southern Province Chairman

Marian Lucas is a charter member of the Beta Phi Chapter, of Psi Iota Xi, and has been very active in the affairs of her chapter since its organization. During this period, she has served as president, vice president, and corresponding secretary. She is also very active in community affairs, now being secretary of the executive board of the Shelby County Chapter of Red Cross. She is also president of the Women's Council of the First Presbyterian Church at Shelbyville.

Marian is a native of Shelbyville and has been a resident there with few exceptions all her life. She is married and her husband, Fred J., is a Shelbyville business man.

EPSILON CHAPTER

Columbus, Indiana

OFFICERS

President

Katherine Miller (Mrs. Joseph C., Jr.)

1st Vice President

Marilouise Coons (Mrs. C. W.)

2nd Vice President

Lillian Grady (Mrs. Thomas P.)

Recording Secretary

Marguerite Erne (Mrs. Judson S.)

Cor. Secy...Jean Prather, (Mrs. Marshall)

Treasurer...Julia Shanower (Mrs. Wade)

Charity Treasurer

Mary Jane Crockett (Mrs. Larrett)

NEWS LETTER

In August, all the loyal members of Epsilon Chapter of Psi Iota Xi started a memorable year under the very capable leadership of our president, Grace Howell. At this first meeting, nine girls were initiated into our chapter and later during the year two transfers were welcomed into our fellowship.

In addition to joining all other Psi Otes in state charitable enterprises, our chapter furnishes milk for the mid-morning lunch of city grade school children who are unable to purchase this nourishment for themselves. In the absence of a Community Chest, many local organizations request funds for charitable enterprises and we give freely to all worthwhile causes. The Columbus Boys' Club, Columbus Girls' Club and Columbus Youth Camp are outstanding examples of this work.

"Down in the Hills of Brown County," the little town of Nashville, inhabited by renowned artists, is always welcoming visitors to its artists' colony. Epsilon girls make frequent trips to its art gallery, to browse among the lovely paintings, and we all feel proud that Psi Iota Xi's contribution helps enable these artists to display the beauty of their paintings to the many travelers who frequent this rustic community.

The funds with which to carry on our charitable work are earned through the effort and co-operation of all of our girls in maintaining a Thrift Shop—an outlet for used clothing, household articles, etc.—which shop is open Fridays and Saturdays during ten months of the year. Although the profit from this project is unbelievably ample for our needs, this year our income was augmented by the sale of candy at Easter time.

During our very busy year, we have taken time to have many enjoyable social activities. In addition to several lovely bridge parties and our usual Christmas party and gift exchange, we entertained with an informal evening tea for members of Grand Council in October. Our husbands and friends were our guests at a Christmas dance and breakfast at the Harrison Lake Country Club on December 23 and our husbands again were included at an unusually nice dinner party, also at the country club, in March. In May, however, we girls again became



A Star Among Her Satellites. Miss Rose Bampton, honorary member of Psi Iota Xi, with a group of Columbus Psi Otes. They are l. to r. Grace Howell, Miss Bampton, Clementine Miller, Lois Young, and Elsie Sweeney.

exclusive, going out to the lovely summer home of Governor Schricker in Brown County State Park as guests of the governor's daughter-in-law, Evelyn Schricker, and enjoyed a pitch-in dinner as only Psi Ote girls can do.

Epsilon Chapter granted inactive membership to five of its girls during the year. These girls have faithfully served Psi Iota Xi for twenty years and many happy memories will always endear them to us.

Before closing this news letter, mention must be made of an unusual musical program sponsored by our chapter, with full credit going to our own Miss Elsie Sweeney, to which all residents of Columbus and neighboring communities were invited. A musical program on "Parsifal" was given on Friday, March 10th, in the auditorium of the Christian Church, with the idea of further informing the public on this religious opera which is presented each Palm Sunday by the Indiana University School of Music at the I. U. Auditorium at Bloomington. Miss Elsie Sweeney, pianist, played the background music and Mrs. Joseph C. Miller, Jr., gave the commentary. Guest artists from the Indiana University School of Music were Prof. George F. Krueger, Miss Hazel Dell Shirley and Helmuth Wolfes. This was a very outstanding program of which all Psi Otes should be justly proud.

New Members: Ann Mobley, Rose Ann Suverkrup, Susan Havens, Mary Beth Newsom, Mary Ellen Abel (Mrs. Dwight), Katherine Miller (Mrs. Joseph C., Jr.), Cynthia Cline, Shirley Folger, Judy Graham, Lois Ryan (Mrs. Joseph), transfer, and Lois Jean Atkins (Mrs. Joe T.) transfer.

Marriages: Mary Ellen Crump to Charles D. Abel; Phyllis Marr Bunker to Joseph Carl Voelz; and Alice Jean Essex to Russell E. Owens.

Births: Mr. and Mrs. Jack Beatty, a girl, Nancy Ellen; Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Prather, a girl, Sally Ann; Mr. and Mrs. Phillip C. Rust, a girl, Barbara Ann; Mr. and Mrs. Henry F. Schricker, Jr., a girl, Mary Beth; Mr. and Mrs. Wade Shanner, a boy, Wade A.; Mr. and Mrs. Chester L. Snyder, a boy, Thomas Folger; Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Timbrook, a girl, Kimbrell; Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Wending, a girl, Barbara Jane; Mr. and Mrs. Richard Whitley, a girl, Kay Ann.

ZETA CHAPTER

Bloomington, Indiana

OFFICERS

President.....	Mrs. Curtis Hall
Vice President.....	Mrs. William Hepley
Secretary.....	Mrs. Peter Wakeland
Treasurer.....	Mrs. Robert Siebenthal
Cor. Secy.....	Mrs. Wilfred Bain
Conductress.....	Mrs. John Mahan

NEWS LETTER

We of Zeta Chapter have just completed a year of adventure in dual control flying and are about to begin another year with very similar plans of organization. Because of a large membership, we decided a year ago to divide into afternoon and evening groups with separate programs but with a unit voting system. The executive committee meets prior to each regular meeting and the president and vice president attend both afternoon and evening meetings in order to facili-

tate better co-ordination. After a trial period of one year, the plan was evaluated and recommended for a second year. Many varied and interesting activities have been included in the programs of each group throughout the year.

The afternoon group enjoyed a "Dutch Treat" luncheon at the Nashville House, with a tour of some of the studios, in November. In January they had a most interesting presentation of possibilities in interior decorating by a local decorator. At a later meeting they played bridge and canasta at the country club.

The November meeting for the evening group was a talk and demonstration on flower arrangements by a local florist, who generously provided gardenias and other lovely flowers for each guest. From gardenias to hamburgers—with a slight difference in fragrance! The evening group had a wonderful time at the Reed cabin in Brown County in May with square dancing to take care of excessive appetites.

Combined meetings for the entire membership were two impressive initiation services; a gala Christmas party for husbands and friends; necessary business meetings; and the annual group supper parties with a joint meeting and talk by Dr. Lee Norvelle on Broadway plays.

Coming as a pleasant climax to a year of activities, was Zeta's privilege of entertaining Grand Council members at brunch on Sunday, April 2, when they were in Bloomington as guests of Miss Sweeney for the presentation of "Parasifal."

One of the most promising developments which originated in Zeta Chapter this year is the formation of The Women's Civic League. This is a panhellenic type organization of all local women's service clubs. They have already successfully co-operated on a number of community projects. Psi Iota Xi is proud to have sponsored this organization and to have Mrs. Carl Franzen as its first president.

Zeta Chapter continues to grow, and we are proud to present the following new members by initiation: Miss Julia Faris, Mrs. John Leffler, Mrs. William Munn, Mrs. Wm. O. Prosser, Mrs. Edward Seeber, Mrs. Howard Wilcox, Mrs. Val Nolan, Mrs. Louis Beccovitz, Mrs. Thomas E. Duane, Mrs. Robert Townsend, Mrs. Robert Bridgewater, Mrs. Charles Johnson.

Additions to our chapter by transfer are: Mrs. C. Raymond Bartlett, Mrs. Calvin Deem, Mrs. R. R. Fowler, Mrs. C. W. Pritchard, Miss Marjorie Wells, Mrs. Rex Roush, Mrs. M. E. Tardy, and Mrs. Esther Leavitt.

New high school initiates are: Judy Warner, Janice Axsom, Beverly Bartlett, Phyllis Dobson, Janet Field, Nancy Rich-

ards, Jeanine Carter, Marilyn Murphy, Suzanne Love, and Jackie Smith.

Our family additions include: Mr. and Mrs. Robert Siebenthal, (Mavis Cloud), a daughter, Janet Lane, June 10; Mr. and Mrs. Wm. A. Jones (Betty Norman), a daughter, Janice Elaine, July 11; Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Warrick (Jane Wheeler), a daughter, Malinda Ann, Oct. 11; Mr. and Mrs. George Reed, Jr. (Margie Wylie), a daughter, Sally, Oct. 15; Mr. and Mrs. Peter Wakeland (Doris Bailey), a daughter, Sara, Jan. 7; Mr. and Mrs. Edward M. Reed (Evelyn Dobson), a daughter, Ellen Anne, April 25; Capt. and Mrs. C. A. Rockwood (Anna Jean O'Harrow), a daughter Lynn O'Harrow, May 30; Mr. and Mrs. James Bennett (Mary Ann Alexander), now of Des Moines, Iowa, a son, Mark, June 10.

Marriages: Janice Dillon to Earl Cyrus, March 5; Ellen Jane Dobson to William Frederick Kegley, June 17; Barbara Thompson to Doddridge R. Young, June 26.

IOTA CHAPTER

Rushville, Indiana

OFFICERS

President.....	Mrs. Robert Amos
Vice President.....	Mrs. K. E. Wedeking
Treasurer.....	Miss Aileen Snoddy
Assistant Treasurer.....	Mrs. James Gridley
Secretary.....	Mrs. Melvin Denny
Cor. Secy.....	Mrs. Lawrence Davison
Conductress.....	Mrs. Weldon Smiley



Hawaiian girls in "South Pacific" theme at mid-year luncheon, with Iota of Rushville as hostess. They are l. to r. Jane Stumpf, Mary Lou Smiley, Mary Benning, and Jane Urbach.

NEWS LETTER

Thanks to Mary Virginia Amos, her husband, Bob, and Suzanne Denny, the Thrift Shop was moved by the first of October to a larger and more convenient location. With business going along as usual and the Barter Players season well on its way to a successful conclusion, mid-year luncheon became our greatest concern and kept us quite busy through January.

Along with all the work there have been some delightful parties. There was a dessert bridge at Ada Knight's, a Halloween party and scavenger hunt at Ruth Painter's, a canasta and bridge party at the Durbin Hotel and an Easter party at Kathryn Alexander's with eggs to hunt and hats to trim. Clad in house dresses or jeans and shirts we played bridge at Mary Virginia Amos' and ate refreshments at tables laid with checkered cloths and lighted candles. At Louise Light's, Miss Lois Litchsinn, high school Spanish teacher, entertained us with an interesting account of her summer at Mexico University, concluding with dances in native costume. Mrs. Glenn Clark, southern province chairman, and Leah Flint, grand advisor, were our guests when Dorothy Foster entertained with a co-operative dinner and Mrs. Charles Tompkins reviewed "Rest and Be Thankful."

An impressive initiation service was held for Jo Ann Alexander at the Durbin Hotel in December. Mrs. Louis Clark's dancing pupils furnished an enjoyable program.

On June 12th after a feast with loads of fried chicken, the girls who had just donned our ribbons entertained us with a most clever skit. Impressive pledge services were held for these girls at the Durbin, June 26th. They are Miss Lena Mae Wells, superintendent of the new Rush County Hospital, and five girls from the graduating class, Jean Cross, Jane Kiplinger, Kathryn Sexton, Nancy Miller, and Sharlene Kirkpatrick.

Marriages include Charman Frazee to Robert W. Palmer, Kathleen Snoddy to Franklin P. Clifford, and Janet Gray Frazee to Kenneth Hayes.



Sigma models bonnets at the "Gay Nineties" party. L. to r.: Janet Warneke, Barbara Westhafer, Margaret Meek, Phyllis Gaynor, Doris Readmond, Peggy Richardson, and Ruth Olinger.

Mr. and Mrs. Cornelius Oster have a new daughter, and Mr. and Mrs. David Foster, of Cincinnati, have a new son.

We are looking forward to another busy year with the nursery of the new hospital to maintain and another Barter season to sponsor.

SIGMA CHAPTER

Greensburg, Indiana

OFFICERS

President.....	Ruth Harroll
Vice President.....	Ann Reed
Secretary.....	Barbara Westhafer
Cor. Secy.....	Eleanor Brooks
Treasurer.....	Doris Bickel
Conductress.....	Edythe Wooden

NEWS LETTER

It was a cold blustery day this spring when the gals of Sigma Chapter stood out in the shade of our Tower Tree to earn money for the Crippled Children's Fund.

A brand new carnival ride had been donated for the occasion by Bill Geren of The Mighty Geren Shows and the gals worked hard to make it a success. The entire proceeds were contributed to the Crippled Children's Society.

We had lots of fun doing it even though we are used to the warmth of the Thrift Shop for all our money making projects. The Thrift Shop has been a success again this year and we appreciate the girls' tireless efforts that inspire us to try to become super saleswomen.

Soliciting for the Red Cross, Riley Hospital, T. B. Chest X-Ray, and the Y. M. C. A. were among our other charitable jobs.

We continued our annual projects of purchasing milk and vitamins for the school children, transporting children to the Indianapolis Symphony concerts, contributing to the Riley Hospital, U. S. O., March of Dimes, Red Cross, Girl Scouts, and purchasing a T. B. health bond. We also came to the aid of the high school band and helped them in buying their pretty new uniforms.

As we have a chapter of the Riley Cheer Guild we sent Easter gifts to the Riley Hospital and had a great time gathering jelly, which our Riley chairman, Ione Overpeck, presented to the hospital.

All work and no play would make any Psi Ote chapter dull—so Sigma had an unusually full social calendar this year.

We opened the fall with a wiener roast at the country home of Helen Doles. Then the Psi Otes joined the nation in the canasta fever and we had a canasta-bridge party following pledge services in November at Theora Wunker's home. In our art meeting, we learned about the life of Frank Lloyd Wright.

The bang-up party of the year was our Christmas buffet supper and initiation at

the home of our Grand Editor, Dorothy Doles. Practically every Psi Ote in the book turned out and we were as proud as Punch to have with us all the Grand Council officers.

The Greensburg High School Chorus presented the program at our music meeting in January at Ione Overpeck's home. The gals were all pleased to hear our wonderful home talent.

February found us searching the attics of Greensburg for the oldest hats we could find. We wore them to the Saddle Club for our Gay 90's party.

Copying an idea picked up at province meeting we had group dinners in March ending with a big canasta-bridge out at Nelle Robbins. Most of us felt that the dinners were just the thing our ever-growing chapter needs to bring our gals closer together.

Mrs. Miriam Mason Swain, outstanding author of children's books, spoke at our literary meeting in April. We were all at Ruth Hancock's home and found Mrs. Swain a most entertaining and colorful personality.

Mabel Parker was hostess for our pledge tea in May. Barbara Westhafer, one of our talented artist members, entertained us by drawing caricatures of our new pledges and many of our members.

Our pledges became members June 20 in an afternoon ceremony at the home of Ruth Hancock. This was followed by a chicken dinner at the Harrison Lake Country Club near Columbus, and an evening of square dancing.

We wish to thank our president, Phyllis Gaynor, for a wonderful year and say that we look forward with enthusiasm to next year with Ruth Harroll at the helm.

New Members: Mrs. Paul (Ann) White, Mrs. John (Alex) Wickstead, Mrs. Ray (Esther) Sopher, Mrs. Frank (Barbara) Manus, Miss Dorothy Sue Overpeck, Mrs. Hugh (Eleanor) Schuster, Mrs. Howard (Louise) Balch, Mrs. Arthur (Dorothy) Smith.

Marriages: Miss Barbara Reichart to Frank Manus.

Births: To Mr. and Mrs. William James Mendenhall, a girl, Merry.

ALPHA BETA CHAPTER

Seymour, Indiana

OFFICERS

President.....	Mrs. Charles Huffman
Vice President.....	Mrs. Harry Fox
Secretary.....	Mrs. James Thompson
Cor. Secy.....	Mrs. C. M. Spall
Conductress.....	Mrs. W. M. Jones

NEWS LETTER

Our year closed June 26 with initiation for four pledges at the home of Louise Bollinger, followed by a dinner at the country club. Patronesses and several former members who were in town for

the summer were with us. Our new president gave the report of convention held at West Lafayette and assured us that Chi Chapter, Brookston, did a wonderful job as hostess. New members are Mrs. Harold Walters (Delores Miller), Jo Anne Thomas, Catherine Steinwedel and Doris Pfaffenberger. Officers for the year 1950-51 had been installed at the June business meeting at the home of Ida Kaufman. Pledge service was given at this meeting.

In line of community service this year our chapter as a group and individually aided many projects—for example—we solicited house to house for the Youth Foundation; did canteen service for the Red Cross Blood Bank Unit; sold tickets for the United States Navy Band concert (a benefit for the hospital X-ray fund); acted as registrars for the Mobile X-Ray Unit under auspices of the county TB Association. Mary Louise Shibe was again chairman (county) of the March of Dimes drive. We also did our usual amount of work at the local hospital—besides having some lounge chairs re-upholstered, we put away a substantial sum of money to be added later to the X-ray fund. A community project close to the hearts of Alpha Beta is our Girls' Club, sponsored by the Youth Foundation. Two of our members belong to the board of directors, and many, who have a particular interest because of young daughters who are members, give of their time and talent in supervising, decorating club house, making drapes, etc. Especially popular with the girls and their mothers are the classes in ballet dancing directed by one of our most talented members, Harriet Conner. We are promised a picture of a group of dancers for next year's Helicon. We were all proud of Mary Lou Schneek's record for her freshman year at Wilson—her name was on the dean's honor list which was announced at the regular commencement exercises in June. Congratulations, Mary Lou!

Our money-making projects followed the usual pattern—rummage sales, pecan sales, calendar, etc. We had hoped to get our Thrift Shop started on a permanent basis, but to date have not found a suitable location. This may work out in the future.

We had one wedding during the year, Patty Judkins to Harry Montel—they are making their home in Indianapolis.

Births reported during the year—a son, William Mark III, to Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Jones; son, Jeffrey Martin, to Mr. and Mrs. Bill Steinwedel; son, Michael Allen, to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Pardieck; daughter, Lucinda, to Mr. and Mrs. George Graessle; daughter, Sue Ellen, to Mr. and Mrs. William E. Spray, daughter, Susan Margaret, to Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Groub; and a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Bob Leahy. The Leahy family has taken

up residence in Cincinnati—but we were glad to reclaim two former members with their families, Ellen Price and Marjorie Huffman, both of whom returned to us after residence in Indianapolis. We have just learned, too, that Ruth Ann Turner, who has been affiliated with us for the last two years has returned to her former home in Franklin. Sigma Chapter, Greensburg, writes us that one of its former members, Mrs. Betty Stiles, is now a resident of our city. Some of our girls have met her, and we are looking forward to greeting her at our meetings next year.

Only one more event is scheduled for the summer—a picnic, with our college student members acting as hostesses.



Mrs. Y. R. Bitzer, of Alpha Epsilon Chapter, Jeffersonville, modeled in their spring style show.

ALPHA EPSILON CHAPTER

Jeffersonville, Indiana

OFFICERS

President.....	Mrs. Thomas J. Lindley
Vice President.....	Miss Elizabeth Sauer
Treasurer.....	Mrs. Al. Newmeister, Jr.
Cor. Secy.....	Miss Marty Horan
Secretary.....	Mrs. Robert Bottorff
Conductress.....	Miss Marie Williams

NEWS LETTER

Hello, Girls: Here is your reporter ready with an on-the-scene account of activities of Alpha Epsilon, Jeffersonville, a Psi Ote stronghold in southern Indiana. Here are some personal highlights:

New Members: Miss Jean Gilmore, Mrs. Edward J. Healy.

Wedding bells rang for: Mary Virginia Constantine, who is now Mrs. Thomas L. McBride; Marilyn Gessner, who is now Mrs. Glenn Seebert; Mildred Marra, who is now Mrs. Charles Heuser; Joyce King, who is now Mrs. Robert Watt; Jean Willcox, who is now Mrs. Kenneth Westerfield; and Nancy Voiers, who is now Mrs. William Whear. Nancy and Bill have sailed for France where they will honeymoon, touring several European countries and will study music at the University of Bordeaux. Nancy is a talented violinist who has just graduated from DePauw University.

The stork brought a baby boy to each of the following: Margaret Eastman Tichenor, Bonnie Werner Leonard, Jane Potts Mitchell, Betty Holmes Stemler, Nan Carlberg, Mary Coyte, Virginia Thornley Peed, Jean Gavin Bitzer, Mary Ann Gavin Ulm, Frances Cory Hoehn.

The stork brought a baby girl to: Eleanor Hambrock Woodruff, Mildred Childs Gilmore, and Cletys Higgins McVeety.

I interviewed Charlotte Dillman, Alpha Epsilon's capable and efficient president of '49-'50, and learned these pertinent facts. Jeffersonville Psi Otes dug into their piggy bank and purchased new draperies and slip covers to brighten the lives of the residents of the Old Ladies' Home; and bought new shades for their nursery at the Clark County Memorial Hospital. They contributed very generously to Infantile Paralysis Drive, Red Cross, Community Chest, Teen-Age Club, and the high school band for its new uniforms. They came to the aid of a stricken mother whose home had been destroyed by fire and replaced her layette and baby furniture. They sent a child to nursery school.

But, I found, too, Alpha Epsilon took to their hearts a new baby this year—the Handicapped Children's room at Chestnut Street School. Once the desperate need for assistance came to their attention these girls rose immediately to the occasion to assist this splendid addition to the city school. A movie projector and film strips, a combination FM-AM

radio and phonograph and window draperies were supplied.

On New Year's Day, six Alpha Epsilon members gave some publicity to Psi Iota Xi, both nationally and locally, and their activities through a broadcast on one of the Louisville, Ky., radio stations.

Mrs. Sam Adair told me of Alpha Epsilon's "Fashion Bridge," a bright social affair and stunning success this past March.

And look at the social calendar of these Psi Otes! I know these girls have had a delightful and fun-filled year.

August: A shower for Mildred Marra followed a picnic in Melrose Hanson's yard.

September: Bridge and canasta party at the New Albany Country Club.

October: Country party and square dancing at Camp Honor Bright.

November: Thanksgiving party at Dorothy Martin's home.

December: Christmas party at Myrtha Prentice's home in Lincoln Heights. On December 22 the Psi Ote Choir presented a lovely Christmas cantata for the public.

January: Jean Willcox guest of honor at bridal shower in Elizabeth Sauer's home.

February: A sweetheart dinner-dance at the New Albany Country Club.

March: The circus came to life at Dotty Dixon's—such a clever party.

April: A brilliant rush party, "Through the Years with Psi Iota Xi."

May: Psi Otes were entertained at the "Stork Club"—a clever replica at the home of Mrs. Sam Adair.

June: Sunday afternoon pledge tea with Mrs. James Pierce as hostess.

July: "Moonlight and Roses" initiation dinner, following our initiation services at Jean Westerfield's charming new home, "Mortgage Manor," on the Utica Pike.

As you can see all has been well in Alpha Epsilon this year. Jeffersonville Psi Otes urged that I convey their greetings and good wishes to their sister chapters everywhere.

ALPHA THETA CHAPTER

Charlestown, Indiana

OFFICERS

President.....	Mrs. Charles Reich
Vice President.....	Mrs. Wycoff Bottorff
Cor. Secy.....	Mrs. Buell Fortenberry
Secretary.....	Mrs. Jerome Peters
Conductress.....	Mrs. Clifford Stratton

NEWS LETTER

We feel that we have had a most successful year under the leadership of our outgoing president, Mrs. Howard Strong, and we are looking forward to a satisfying year ahead.

The ways and means committee, under the chairmanship of Mrs. George Gallman, proposed several methods of mak-

ing money for the year. Suppers served to the Lions Club and Community suppers, and a party where plastics were sold were among these plans. Each active member was also asked to earn five dollars in some project of her own, to be turned in to the treasurer within three months. This was so successful that we have voted to do the same thing again for next year. We also have plans made to sell advertising for advertising tables in addition to our regular suppers, rummage sales and food sales.

One part of our charity program consisted of buying daily lunches for underprivileged school children. We were glad to be able to sponsor a high school girl to Girls' State in Bloomington. We also bought tickets to the afternoon concerts of the Louisville Philharmonic Orchestra. Eight children were sent to the Traveling Speech and Hearing Clinic when it was in New Albany. We are also sponsoring a public park and playground with, we hope, a swimming pool, in the near future.

Starting this year we have instituted a plan, of which we are justly proud, by which the outgoing president of our chapter is presented a jewelled pin with guard, as a token of our appreciation of her service. The money for this gift is made at business meetings. Three girls, the hostess and two others, serve light refreshments, such as cookies and coffee or small sandwiches and cokes. A donation is then made by each girl, usually ten cents. In the course of a year the price of the pin is made.

ALPHA KAPPA CHAPTER

Franklin, Indiana

OFFICERS

President.....	Mrs. Wayne Secrest
Vice President.....	Mrs. Jim Jones
Secretary.....	Mrs. Menlo Isom
Cor. Secy.....	Mrs. Robert Johnson
Treasurer.....	Mrs. Alton Snyder
Conductress.....	Mrs. George Kellams

NEWS LETTER

Mrs. Robert Lybrook very capably served as president for the second year, and we are looking forward to an eventful year with Mrs. Wayne Secrest as president.

Sponsoring two rummage sales, a bake sale, our annual turkey project, a card benefit, and a clothe-a-child drive enabled us to add to our bank account and make contributions to the Community Chest, Hoosier Salon, Good Cheer Fund, Polio Foundation, Cancer Fund, Red Cross, purchase a T. B. bond, give money for magazines for the county hospital, buy coal for a needy family, milk for two families, oranges and milk for another family, and we are presenting a \$100.00 nurse's scholarship this summer. The Clothe-A-Child Drive was at Christmas

time and several children benefitted from this. Two symphony tickets were purchased, also.

We are proud of Mary Etta Hougland who served as Grand Secretary this year, and was honored by Theta Sigma Phi at the Matrix dinner for being an outstanding leader in this community.

Our program activity has varied. We sponsored an art exhibit at Franklin College, had the Speech and Hearing Clinic at the school, had a young Franklin College student tell of his experiences in Europe last summer while with the World Council of Churches Work Youth Camp, and the Junior Chamber of Commerce sent a representative to talk to us on "City Planning." Bridge and canasta held our interest for one social evening and a talk on "Salesmanship" by an L. S. Ayres & Co. employee was the source of another evening's entertainment. Preceding our spring dinner held at the Hillview Country Club an impressive initiation service was conducted, and during the dinner hour Marvin Chandler, a college student, played piano selections. Following the dinner he presented a very fine musical program.

Our Christmas party was held in the recreation room of the Catholic Church with the active chapter as hostess to the honorary group. After a delicious three-course meal, special Christmas carols were sung by one of our members, Mrs. Stanton Smith. Mrs. Will Johnson very capably told the story of "The Littlest Angel."

Eight girls were initiated this year. They were Joanne Spears, Joanne Throckmorton, Lucile Mudrich, Mary Fergason, Iris Hardin, Ann Pace, Ruth Grepp, and Gertrude VanAntwerp. Mary Fergason recently become Mrs. Barnes. Barbara Kyle and Mrs. Charles Possman have transferred to our chapter and we are happy to have them join us.

A "big crop" of Psi Ote babies is en route. Proud parents since our last report are Jean and Byron Gunn, Betty and Webb Guthrie, Bessie Mae and Art Day, and Alberta and Dr. Lyman Eaton.

Seventeen members became honorary inactive but meet socially each month and stay in contact with us by sending a representative to our business meetings.

We have the traveling clinic scheduled for July and have prospects of a busy year ahead. Let us all strive to make this the biggest year ever!

ALPHA OMICRON CHAPTER

Vincennes, Indiana

OFFICERS

President.....	Mrs. Arthur Hart
Vice President.....	Mrs. E. J. Meade
Cor. Secy.....	Mrs. Andrew Day, Jr.
Secretary.....	Mrs. Robert Holmes
Treasurer.....	Miss Patty Liter
Conductress.....	Miss Helen Downen

NEWS LETTER

The members of Alpha Omicron believe that one of our most worthwhile projects was the presentation of a whirlpool bath to the city school system and athletic organization. This bath may be used by the entire community.

The Gala Casino was the theme of our Halloween party. The beau-husband dance was a lovely affair on December 28. "Calendar Capers" was the name of the colorful pageant presented at the birthday party. At that time, initiation was held for two new members, Mrs. Richard Schultheis and Mrs. Ralph Simon.

This spring on May 31 we had for the theme of our rush party, "It Pays To Advertise." Each of the rushees came dressed as a well-known national advertisement. June 4th at the home of Harriet Knowles we held pledge services for fifteen lovely girls.

June 14th was the date of our annual garden party. Due to rain we were driven indoors but a lovely initiation and installation of officers were held.

Initiates were: Mary Ann Arganbright, Gloria Beal, Carolyn Castiaux, Beverly DeRolf, Barbara Gray, Sharon Harlow, Jacqueline Hocker, Marilyn Houchins, Nancy Knowles, Helen Pielemeier, Marjory Purcell, Jacqueline Rogers, Caroline Simon, Jean Ann Tislow, Ruth Ann Tolson, Rosalyn Watson, Linda Wheeler and Patricia Yates.

A special feature of the evening was the talk by Dr. LeRoy Jones, of the Speech and Hearing Clinic.

ALPHA PI CHAPTER

Scottsburg, Indiana

OFFICERS

President.....	Miss Ella-Maude McCulloch
Vice President.....	Mrs. Eugene Hough
Secretary.....	Miss Nancy Mount
Cor. Secy.....	Mrs. Marvin Judd
Treasurer.....	Mrs. Bruce Colwell
Conductress.....	Mrs. Kenneth Thompson
Pianist.....	Mrs. Fred Brodt
Symphony Chr.....	Mrs. Jen Studebaker

NEWS LETTER

This year our sorority has made contributions to the Heart Association, March of Dimes, Emergency Polio Drive, Tuberculosis Bond, Red Cross, Speech and Hearing Clinic, Indianapolis Symphony Orchestra, Scottsburg P. T. A. for underprivileged children to go to the circus, and the senior class of Scottsburg High School for their Washington, D. C., trip. We purchased one symphony ticket and paid for one patron's membership to Hoosier Salon.

Our main project for the year was to contribute a large sum of money to the park board for doors for the shelter house at the park. We contributed half the money for the doors and the Phi Beta Psi Sorority the other half.

For Christmas we supplied several families with fuel, food, clothing, and toys. We again sponsored a girl to Girls' State and a girl to Indiana State Fair Girls' School.

We are very proud to sponsor a Brownie troop with Mrs. Fred Brodt as our representative on the troop committee.

Our money making schemes were square dances, rummage sales, selling Christmas cards, and our annual Christmas dance.

Several of our girls helped at the Blood Bank Mobile Unit.

Following our April meeting Anne Thompson gave a very interesting report on the "Parsifal" program at Bloomington on Palm Sunday. She and Joyce Vest were selected to represent our chapter as guests of Elsie Sweeney.

Our social activities began in July with initiation for eight new members at Clifty Inn, Madison, Indiana.

In October we had a very enjoyable masked square dance with husbands and boy friends invited. Several prizes were given for masks.

Our annual Christmas, literary and musical parties were held at Redman's Cafe. We brought toys and clothing to be distributed to needy children at Christmas.

Our most enjoyable party was a Gay Nineties party held at the grade school. Local talent was used and several Psi Otes were very surprised to see their husbands on the stage as all the husbands in the program kept their part a secret.

Our officers' party finished up the year. A ship was used to decorate the officers' table and very clever menus carried out the sea motif.

New Members: Doris Louise White, Roberta Bridgewater, Jane Clark, Betty Hough, Margaret Hough (Mrs. Willard), Hazel Feaster (Mrs. Raymond), Marietta Reid (Mrs. Donald), Ruth Hamilton (Mrs. Ted).

Pledges: Marilyn McClain, Rebekah Craig (Mrs. Claude C.), Georgia Holwager (Mrs. John), Ruth Bubul (Mrs. John), Vera Miller, Nina Chasteen, Joyce Jones (Mrs. Donald Lloyd), Martha Murphy (Mrs. Victor), Eileen Losey (Mrs. John).

Marriages: Joyce Haywood to Robert Foist. Pledge Marriages: Martha Halterbaum to Victor Murphy, Eileen Shields to John Losey, Joyce Daniel to Donald Lloyd Jones.

Births: To Mr. and Mrs. Harry Carter, a son, Thomas Rodney; to Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Thompson, a son, Kerry Lewis; to Mr. and Mrs. William H. Fewell, a daughter, Suzanne; to Mr. and Mrs. Roy DeWitt, a son, John Walter.

New Patronesses: Effie Cooperider (Mrs. John), Ruth Stewart (Mrs. Newell), Maude Hough (Mrs. V. V.)

ALPHA SIGMA CHAPTER

Princeton, Indiana

OFFICERS

President	Mrs. Edwin E. (Sarah C.) Allen
Vice President	Mrs. Ralph W. (Bea) Wood
Cor. Secy.	Mrs. Robert A. (Patty) Watson
Rec. Secy.	Mrs. Robert F. (Kathryn) Parrett
Treasurer	Mrs. Joe (Martha) Hall
Conductress	Mrs. Harold (Marie) Soller

NEWS LETTER

Alpha Sigma Chapter has had a most pleasant and profitable year. On Thanksgiving Eve we sponsored a dance at the Princeton Armory, and in March we realized a very nice profit from our annual style show and card party. In June, we conducted a magazine sale with our goal set at \$1,000.00 worth of subscriptions to be sold. We are very proud to report that through the efforts of all our members we reached that goal!

Princeton Psi Otes have contributed to the following during the past year: Cancer Drive, Polio Fund, T. B. Association, Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts, Salvation Army and the Red Cross. In addition, we sent two boys to Camp Carson and sponsored a girl to Hoosier Girls' State, and, for the first time we are sponsoring a local Girl Scout troop. In February we chartered two busses to transport our high school band and its director to the Indianapolis Symphony.

Our charitable projects for the year include the purchasing of a much needed Electric Suction Machine for the Gibson General Hospital to be used in conjunction with



Two Psi Ote daughters who helped make Alpha Sigma's (Princeton) rush party more realistic.

L. to r. Jane Ann Mahan, daughter of Vera Mahan and Jean Alice Folck, daughter of Virginia Folck.

tion with the maternity ward, which is maintained by Princeton Psi Otes. At Christmas we bought bedding and chiffoniers for the boys' room at the Gibson County Orphanage. Also at Christmas, we bought some warm clothing for a deserving high school boy and girl.

This year we inaugurated a plan whereby our chapter will send the most deserving senior girl (one who lacks the finances) through an entire nursing course. Henceforth this award will be given on Senior Day every third year. This is in addition to our annual \$50.00 senior award.

On January 17 we held initiation for six members at the First Presbyterian Church, followed by a clever Italian Fiesta dinner at the Princeton Country Club. On June 19, we had our initiation for eight graduates, and it was followed by a formal dinner and dance at the country club. We are very proud of our new members and feel certain they will be an asset to our sorority.

New Members: Reba Smith, Joyce Key (Mrs. Norman), Norma Ballard (Mrs. Kenneth), Helen Huey (Mrs. Paul), Josephine Maggart (Mrs. Lee), Phyllis Miller (Mrs. Ralph), Lucretia Bury, Jane Cooper, Carol Russo, Joan Wood (Mrs. James), Joann Bingham, Beverly Massay, Diane Cox, Beverly Stormont.

Marriages: Jeanne Nelson to Clifford Griffith, Martha Redman to Joe Hall, Joan Lewis to Ted Hitch, Shirley Stoll to Eddie Robb, Barbara Caniff to Robert Howden, Mary Scott to George Christian, Winnigene Finch to Carl Harbison, Betty Ann Mulhall to William Latham.

Births: Mr. and Mrs. Arvil Oldham, boy; Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Ballard, boy; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Carnahan, girl; Mr. and Mrs. Robert Gwaltney, girl; Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Wirtz, boy; Mr. and Mrs. William Eldred, girl.

ALPHA TAU CHAPTER

Petersburg, Indiana

OFFICERS

President.....	Miss June Grim
Vice President.....	Mrs. Ed Waddle (Gerry)
Secretary.....	Mrs. Floyd Risley (Martha)
Cor. Secy.....	Mrs. Shelby Stevens (Marion)
Treasurer	

Mrs. Delmas Wyatt (Herbertine)

Conductress....Mrs. John Steer (Dorothy)
Reporter.....Mrs. Darwin Youngs (Grace)

NEWS LETTER

Alpha Tau Chapter of Psi Iota Xi has enjoyed an interesting and happy year under the tutelage of Peg Gray.

Our social life included a "back-to-school" bridge in September, when we donned hair ribbons and short dresses and carried our lunch boxes to school once again. Our Christmas party was highlighted by a delightful presentation of "Little Women" by several of our members. In January we celebrated another birthday of our chapter. February

found us in the Mardi Gras atmosphere and we spent a few short hours in "New Orleans." Canasta swept Petersburg as well as the country and we found the new game sharing honors with bridge at most of our parties. We had a guest tea in March at the home of our president. Our last social activity was the pledge dinner in June, when three new members were pledged to Alpha Tau.

Psi Otes "adopted" a baby this year—a child ill with tuberculosis—for whom we have been buying milk and baby food.

The local high school band has been the recipient of Psi Ote's helping hand. A band uniform was purchased in the fall. Just recently, \$300.00 was given toward the purchase of a much needed instrument.

Checks were also presented to the American Red Cross, the Tuberculosis Association, the Crippled Children's Fund, and the Cancer Fund. Needy families in the community received Christmas baskets as well as help at numerous other times during the year.

There were no large money-making projects this year but each Psi Ote used her own initiative and imagination in making nine dollars out of one dollar. There were rummage sales, raffles, games, benefit bridge, a waist-line party. Some of the girls demonstrated their culinary arts by making and selling salad dressing, cakes, and pies. One of our needle-minded members made dainty aprons, another one came to the rescue of her friends in this ever changing hem-line world of ours. One of our more artistic members made flower arrangements from painted weeds. This system of money making has proven very satisfactory this year.

To our old officers we have said "thank you." It has been a most satisfying year for Psi Otes in Petersburg.

Pledges: Miss Charlene Steer, Miss Helen Wilson, Mrs. Charles Moyer (Harriet).

Marriages: Carolyn Kime to Bernard Youngs.

Births: To Mr. and Mrs. John K. Chappell, a girl.

ALPHA UPSILON CHAPTER

West Baden Springs, Indiana

OFFICERS

President.....	Mrs. Claver (Alberta) Abel
Vice President	
	Mrs. J. E. (Rachel) Carnes
Secretary	
	Mrs. James F. (Mary Jean) Bateman
Cor. Secy	
	Mrs. Herbert G. (Marie) Moore
Treasurer.....	Mrs. William (Opal) Dixon
Conductress	
	Mrs. Norman (Margie) Elkins
Pianist.....	Miss Audra Bedster
Advisor.....	Mrs. Robert (Jessie) Dickey



Alpha Upsilon's food stand at the annual Fourth of July celebration in West Baden is quite popular. Here one of their best chefs, Harriett Brown, is frying those "oh, so delicious" hamburgers while Alberta Abel, their president, and Lorena Owen, chairman of the buying committee, are waiting with buns ready.

NEWS LETTER

First of all we wish to express our appreciation to Chi Chapter of Brookston for a grand time at convention. Everything was just tops and we felt that the theme and the clever decorations and favors were super. Thanks, girls of Chi!

Alpha Upsilon has had a very successful year under the guidance of Mrs. Robert (Jessie) Dickey, our retiring president. Our social meetings are always something to talk about and events not to be missed. Entertainment at our parties featured musical and dramatic numbers, biographical sketches, a style show and a variety program by the pledges, who became full fledged Psi Otes in an impressive ceremony at the Christmas party in the home of Mrs. Cloyd (Edith) Wilson. The unusually attractive and festive mantel decorations served as a perfect background for the initiation service. Those joining our sisterhood then were: Mrs. Thomas (Alice) Edwards, Mrs. Karl (Lorene) Joehrendt, Mrs. Chester (Ermel) Lane, Mrs. George (Evelyn) Sorrells, and the Misses Joan Pinnick, Helen Russell, and Mary Lou Kerby.

Cupid is still active in our chapter and claimed Anna Loe Moore for Roy Daniels, Mary Lou Kerby for "Nick" Nicholson, and Shirley Lee Collins for Harold McReynolds. Chapter shower gifts were given to Anna Loe and Mary Lou, our new resident brides.

Mr. Stork has also been visiting with us and left a bouncing baby boy at the home of Mrs. Robert (Helen) Beatty. Still no future Psi Otes have come to West Baden members!

In June we were happy to have the Speech and Hearing Clinic of Indiana University with us to examine a number of children in the community.

By means of a tag day, raffle, bake and needle work sale, a food concession at a Homecoming Celebration, and a few personal money making schemes we have

been able to make substantial contributions to all of the national health and charity drives, give aid to needy families, furnish milk and books to worthy school children, and will in the near future purchase \$500.00 worth of playground equipment for the new public recreation center in West Baden.

Orchids to our neighbors, Gamma Iota Chapter, of Shoals, for winning the achievement cup at convention, having spent \$48.98 per capita on charity and having a 92 per cent attendance record. We are proud of you, Shoals!

Our new president, Alberta Abel, officiated very efficiently in an impressive pledge service for the Misses Frieda Van Dam and Sally Ellis at our June party.

With renewed enthusiasm gained at convention we are looking forward to bigger and better things in Alpha Upsilon this coming year. Watch us!

Congratulations to all the newly elected members of Grand Council. We think you are a very fine official family and hope to see you and many of our Psi Ote sisters at mid-year and again at convention next year in Ohio. Some of us have already started saving our pennies for the trip to Columbus. Let's all make a special effort to attend the Ohio convention and show our chapters over there that we really do appreciate having them.

ALPHA PSI CHAPTER

Washington, Indiana

OFFICERS

President.....Mrs. J. P. (Faye) Hagel
Vice President

Mrs. John (Margie) Sinnott

Secretary.....Mrs. Ted (Mildred) Ottinger
Cor. Secy.

Mrs. J. Lloyd (Mary) Fitzpatrick
Treasurer....Mrs. Geo. (Nellie) Learmonth
Charity Treasurer

Mrs. Delmar (Betty) Grubb

Conductress....Mrs. W. F. (Lelande) Beher



Birthday anniversary of Alpha Psi, Washington, April, 1950. Left to right: Mrs. Charles Thomas, treasurer; Mrs. Ralph V. Catt, president; Mrs. John Sellman, Jr.; honorary member, past grand president; Mrs. O. C. Chatten, honorary member; Mrs. Paul Coleman, recording secretary; Mrs. Paul E. Catt, corresponding secretary.



Check being presented to the Davies County Hospital to be used for a resuscitator. Presented by Alpha Psi Chapter, Washington. L. to r. Mrs. Delmar Grubb, charity treasurer; Mrs. Ira DeWeese, chairman of the resuscitator committee; Mrs. Olive DeHart, superintendent of the hospital; Mrs. Ralph V. Catt, president.

NEWS LETTER

At the meeting held in the latter part of June seven pledges were initiated into Alpha Psi Chapter. Namely: Lydia Brown, Jean Eskridge, Viola Kerr, Joyce Lee, Louise Knochenmus, Sally Waters, and Helen Williamson.

It has been customary in our group for the new officers and pledges to plan a picnic for the members and husbands for the first meeting in July.

There have been two marriages in our group this year and another coming up later this summer. Kathleen Broders Culver and Barbara Bromn Wildridge.

An elementary teaching scholarship was established in Washington. There were three applicants for the scholarship and an impartial committee picked Eleanor Dant, a graduate of Washington High School, as the recipient of the scholarship. We are hoping to be able to make it an annual event.

For the first time in a number of years, the Psi Otes entertained their husbands at a Christmas dance, and it was indeed a huge success. It was held at the country club, and most of the husbands worked as hard helping decorate as did the girls.

A celebration for our birthday anniversary was held in April this year, and two of our own girls baked the cake. We had a book review, "Delinquent Angels," which was really enjoyed by all.

We made our usual gifts to charity, and gave the hospital a check for the purchase of a resuscitator.

This year as in the past few years, we are planning on having the calendar project again.

ALPHA OMEGA CHAPTER

North Vernon, Indiana

OFFICERS

President.....	Olive Byram (Mrs. Lester)
Vice President.....	Mary Lee Cull
Secretary.....	Edna Thayer (Mrs. Benet)
Cor. Secy.....	Willa Mae Huffman
Treasurer.....	Nannette Fox
Conductress.....	Marguerite Davis (Mrs. Cy.)

NEWS LETTER

August—We were host to the Speech and Hearing Traveling Clinic which proved to be very beneficial to the community. Adrebelle Alexander, a Psi Ote who has had training in speech and hearing therapy, has done remarkably well with the follow-up work for these handicapped children in our schools.

September—This month we sponsored the blood bank program held at one of the local churches.

October—We were most happy to play host to the Southern Province meeting which was held at Clifty Inn, near Madison.

November — For our Thanksgiving party we entertained our husbands and boy friends. The committee served all a turkey dinner.

December — The birthday calendar printed for the second year, proved successful again as did our annual holiday dance. Both contributed a substantial sum to our charity fund. We also raffled off a doll with a complete wardrobe. Articles of clothing were contributed by each member of the sorority.

March—Our delegates to the opera "Parsifal" and to the supper, as Miss Elsie Sweeney's guests, reported it proved to be outstanding in performance and indeed a highlight of the year. Our literary and music program with the patronesses as our guests was held this month. The high school chorus furnished several musical numbers and a book review of "The Ohio" was given by Mary Cassin, of North Vernon.

April—We have contributed to the various campaign drives during the year and also to local charity projects.

May—The opening of our Thrift Shop brought about renewed enthusiasm. As to date it is proving itself most worthwhile. We entertained the senior girls at our party this month. We presented a scholarship of \$125.00 to a senior girl interested in speech and hearing.

June—Our picnic and pledge service with three new pledges as our guests ended our social year. We find a new year awaiting us after a most successful year under our outgoing officers: Roweta Clark, Olive Byram, Mary Lee Cull, Zella Matthews, Vivian Thompson and Ann Anthers.

New Members: Jo Carter, Jean Hudson, Virginia Klingner, Marie Stipp (Mrs. John), Frances Webster (Mrs. Roland),

Martha Thompson (Mrs. Marvin), Arleen Blair (Mrs. William) by transfer.

Pledges: Virginia Claxon, Barbara Elkins, Teresa Dugan.

Marriages: Jo Ann Stearns to Melvin Amick, Mary Ann Ellis to Marion Tatlock.

Births: To Mr. and Mrs. Robert Byram, a daughter, Shirley Denise; to Mr. and Mrs. Matt Kasper, a son, Donnell Lee; to Mr. and Mrs. John Matthews, a son, Kenneth Lee.

BETA BETA CHAPTER

Sullivan, Indiana

OFFICERS

President.....Eulah Gorby (Mrs. Wayne)
Vice President.....Joy Leach (Mrs. William)
Cor. Secy.....Sybil Wray (Mrs. Wallace)
Secretary.....Alice Fisher (Mrs. Jack)
Treasurer

Florence Williams (Mrs. Warren)
Conductress.....Sally Gaylor (Mrs. John)

NEWS LETTER

Our chapter has had many successful money making projects during the year. We have had rummage sales, square dances, sold chances on turkeys and a Sunbeam Mixmaster, auction sale among members and we have bought Debutante products and the chapter received percentages on each item purchased by members.

During the year we have purchased five tickets to Biltcliffe concerts, a special lamp to be used in our city schools for children afflicted with industrial blindness, five Christmas baskets were sent to the needy, glasses were bought for a lady, school lunches were bought for two underprivileged children, planted a Chinese elm tree in the court house yard, and contributed to local yearly societies.

On April 30, 1950, we entertained our mothers, guests and pledges at a spring breakfast which was held at the Elks Country Club. Each mother, guest and pledge received a nosegay of violets and roses.

We sent two delegates to convention at Lafayette, and from their reports we are sorry more could not attend.

Two of our members went to Bloomington to see and hear the opera "Parsifal" as Miss Elsie Sweeney's guests. We thank her for giving us this opportunity.

On May 22, 1950 at our anniversary dinner, at Davis Hotel, we held pledge and initiation services for the following new members: Edna Taylor (Mrs. Paul); Norma Williams (Mrs. Manuel); Wanda Hannum (Mrs. Arnold); Jacqueline Crew (Miss); and Bonnie Huff (Mrs. Charles).

Marriages: Sally Pope to John Gaylor; Patsy Gallagher to Jack Knotts; Beverly McCammon to John Biddle; Marty Hamilton to Bill Pierson; Sharon Ford to Gene Carty; Joan Godfrey to Gayle

Smith; and Jean Dale to Paul Truelock.

Births: Mr. and Mrs. John Gettinger, a son; Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Hamilton, a son; Mr. and Mrs. Byron Pigg, a son; and Mr. and Mrs. William Carter, a son.

BETA KAPPA CHAPTER

Bloomfield, Indiana

OFFICERS

President.....Dorene Miller (Mrs. Marshall)

Vice President

Anna May Workman (Mrs. David)

Secretary.....Jessie Uland (Mrs. Herman)

Treasurer.....Irene Price (Mrs. Denzel)

Cor. Secy.

Marian Shepherd (Mrs. Clifford)

Conductress

Virginia Jackson (Mrs. George)

NEWS LETTER

Heaving a big sigh, Beta Kappa finishes another Psi Ote year, adds up the debits and credits and prepares to take inventory for the coming year.

Our campaign for raising money for various charity projects began last July with a canvass of the town for the birthday calendars which were a huge success. In October, we held a cake walk at the annual Halloween Festival; the chair raffle at Christmas time, and two rummage sales throughout the year.

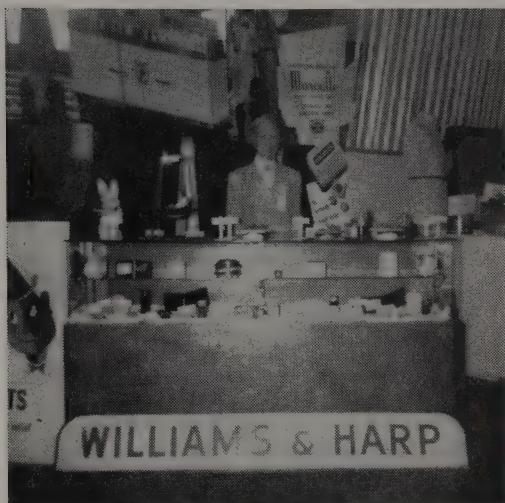
This year our chapter has contributed generously to the James Whitcomb Riley Memorial Association, Red Cross Drive, Cancer Drive, Tuberculosis Drive, Boy Scout Drive, Boy Scout Jamboree, kindergarten, Christmas tree project, needy families, and gifts for both men and women in the county home.

Social events this year have been lovely. The hostess and co-hostess have seemingly "outdone" themselves to make each party a gala affair. In September we enjoyed an indoor wiener roast at the fireplace of one of our members. Slacks and jeans were worn and songs were sung around the fireplace. In October two of our members, who made the pilgrimage to Natchez, Mississippi, showed colored movie films of their trip and their children presented musical selections. They also showed films of Psi Ote happenings back through the years, which we hold very dear to our hearts. In November, we had a "come as you are when phoned" party, which was a scream and huge success. At Christmas time a dinner was served to members with our patronesses as guests. A gift exchange and music were enjoyed. Other interesting socials were held during the remainder of the year.

New Member: Mary Jo York (Mrs. Allen).

Pledges: Ona Nichols (Mrs. Omer).

Births: To Dr. and Mrs. Fred W. Heidenreich, a boy, Robert Harley; to Mr. and Mrs. Richard Richeson, a girl, Barbara Ann.



An exhibit from the Beta Lambda Chapter. Bedford, sample fair given annually as a fund-raising project. There were fifty similar booths from which samples were dispensed.

BETA LAMBDA CHAPTER

Bedford, Indiana

OFFICERS

President.....	Joyce McPike
Vice President.....	Miriam Moore
Secretary.....	Mary Edmonds
Treasurer.....	Bo Peep Benchart
Cor. Secy.....	Helen Hensinger
Conductress.....	Connie Montgomery

NEWS LETTER

The year 1949-1950 has been a banner one for Beta Lambda Chapter with growth in membership, understanding and activity, under the able direction of our president, Mrs. Helen Denny.

The following new members have been listed: Mesdames Tressie (John) Scherschel, Nina (Fred) Carl, and Jane (Donald) Kerr; Misses Judy Turner, Patt Laidler, Susanna Mitchell, Jane Loveall, Joan Auerbach, Elizabeth Miller. One of our members, Harriett Turner, became Mrs. Charles Pease Jr., of Terre Haute, while births listed include: Mr. and Mrs. William Benchart, a daughter, Amy Marie, born, July 21; Mr. and Mrs. James Hensinger, a daughter, Margaret, born January 23, and Dr. and Mrs. K. T. Edmonds, a son, David Allen, born March 27.

Activities: An active year is always a successful year, and Beta Lambda had both! We resumed our Sample Fair, dropped prior to the war because of scarcity of samples. This year thousands of samples were not equal to the banner crowds. The financial results were excellent and we plan a "bigger and better one" next year as the major feature of raising money.

We gave a series of two jamborees during the year, at which we planned square dancing, sale of doughnuts and cider and really gave several hundred

persons an enjoyable wholesome evening, besides adding something to our ledger—not on the red side!

Our symphony tickets we gave to Miss Keach, Bedford city schools music supervisor, to take music students to Indianapolis concerts and we lived up to our consistent interest in speech and hearing projects by financing (paying board) for a small boy at Bloomington, who needed corrective treatment at Indiana University. Within the month several years of work and foundation laying have shown tangible results, for next fall Bedford will have a speech correction teacher, at the insistent urging of Psi Otes before the school board. The chapter will assist financially in this project locally as well as in other ways with grand council.

One year ago our chapter gave a thousand dollars to Bedford's wonderful new youth center, and during the past year, Psi Otes have helped with various projects in giving money, but more importantly many members have toiled unceasingly to help with program, building and other important features. We feel the youth of our city and land are very, very important and are proud to work for them and a tomorrow.

Program Highlights: To enumerate program highlights would necessitate an outline of the entire year, which space forbids. Our closing dinner and program following formal initiation at Mary Edmonds' home, was planned with a bridal theme, with decorations of bridal party, pipe organ, flowers, and every feature. The program included bridal numbers, after which Jane Woolery, an artist in floral design, made an exquisite formal wedding bouquet replete with tulle, satin streamers, lilies, and two mammoth white orchids tucked into the center for the "bride" to wear when she left on her trip. This was too much for our

younger high school members who, dressed in formals, had an impromptu grand march with music and fun. We drew lucky tickets for the bouquet and two young girls went home with stars in their eyes and added dreams in their hearts, one wearing the orchids, and the other carrying the cascade of flowers.

A program on early Lawrence County history with refreshments and costumes to match, a Christmas program on parcel tying and home decorations, by talented Jean Osborne, and many other lovely and interesting programs and parties have added interest for every member.

BETA MU CHAPTER

Brownstown, Indiana

OFFICERS

President.....	Virginia Lahrman
Vice President.....	Georgia L. Lucas
Cor. Secy.....	Gladys Martin
Secretary.....	Ava Nell Gatte
Treasurer.....	Joy D. Stewart
Conductress.....	Joyce Eskew

NEWS LETTER

Let us introduce the following new arrivals: Charles J., at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Lucas; Eric T., at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Brewer; Randie and Sally, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James P. Heller.

Did we say we had been busy? Perhaps we had better prove our point by mentioning some of our activities. Our annual rummage sale heads the list since our last report; we had a food sale, two square dances, the proceeds from one of which were given to the polio fund, and several benefit card parties, including one for the cancer fund; a Psi Ote float was entered in the Armistice Day parade.

Our anniversary dinner held in November was a very gala event; we had for our guest speaker Mlle. Peres, an exchange teacher from France, who is teaching in Seymour.

We have been busy making and spending money for various charities, including the giving of clothing and food to a very needy family at Christmas time.

In April our thoughts turned to music; consequently, we sponsored the Madison Choral Group, who presented a wonderful program at our high school gym for the school children, as well as the public generally; also sold tickets for the U. S. Navy Band, which furnished a very rare treat at the Seymour gym for the entire community and surrounding localities, proceeds from which were used for X-ray at our county hospital.

We sponsored a junior girl at Girls' State held on Indiana University campus. We also busied ourselves in securing nine very fine girls for membership, who were pledged at our last meeting and for whom we are planning a very lovely initiation service.

BETA OMEGA CHAPTER

New Albany, Indiana

OFFICERS

President....	Evalee Goodbub (Mrs. Frank)
Vice President	Dorothy Briscoe (Mrs. Clarence)
Secretary.....	Betty Erni (Mrs. Joe)
Cor. Secy.....	Helen Willis (Mrs.)
Treasurer	Marilyn Pinaire (Mrs. Edward)

NEWS LETTER

Beta Omega Chapter has enjoyed a very successful year under the able leadership and guidance of our past president, Hazel Dieckmann. The Thrift Shop has prospered beyond our fondest dreams and expectations. We are proud to say that during the past year, not one girl, who was scheduled for work at the shop, has failed to report for duty, or has not been responsible in sending her substitute. In fact this policy has been maintained ever since the shop was first opened in March, 1949. This is indeed an achievement, considering that more than fifty girls are scheduled during a given period of time. Much of the financial success of our Thrift Shop is due to the splendid co-operation and enthusiasm among the members.

The circulating library at Silver Crest Tuberculosis Hospital, is one of our charitable projects, under the directorship of Lorraine Warmoth. It has been accepted as a vital need at this institution for the pleasure and interest the library has meant to the patients confined there. We maintain a well equipped library of good reading material in books and the current popular magazines. We like giving this service to Silver Crest Hospital.

A few months ago, Beta Omega Chapter purchased an auditory training unit, which was presented to the city schools for the aid of students with sub-normal hearing. The unit consists of a microphone, used by the hearing-teacher, and individual earphones for the pupils who have defective hearing. This auditory training unit aids the pupil to learn enunciation and clarity of speech more easily.

Our latest activity was the presentation of Barbara Ann Warmoth, one of our own members, soprano soloist, in concert at the senior high school auditorium, to the public without charge of admission. Barbara has spent the past three years studying voice in New York City. Not only is she a very attractive girl, but she possesses a beautiful voice and a charming personality. We were grateful for this opportunity as her concert was enjoyed by a large audience.

We have contributed to local community projects, assisted in the cancer drive, promoted the speech and hearing work by making a contribution to this program for training of local children dur-

ing the summer vacation, and help whenever we can be of service.

Beta Omega Chapter members are busy down here in New Albany, and are looking forward to a successful year ahead.

New Members: Marie Coyle (Mrs. Walter), Helen Crecelius (Mrs. Barth), Katherine Temple (Mrs. Edgar), Carolyn Holz (Mrs. William), Virginia Yates (Mrs.), Ellin Furlong, and Donna Jean Willis.

Marriages: Louise Voyles to Dr. George Balla, and Dorothy Ann Edwards to T. P. Tanner.

Births: To Mr. and Mrs. Chester Budd, a son; to Mr. and Mrs. Basil Lorch, a son; to Mr. and Mrs. John Schwartzel, a daughter.

BETA SIGMA CHAPTER

Austin, Indiana

OFFICERS

President.....	Ruth Nicholson
Vice President.....	Pat Bass
Secretary.....	Norma Hubbard
Cor. Secy.....	Lillian Schnecck
Treasurer.....	Virginia Hubbard
Pianist.....	Lillian Schnecck
Conductress.....	Alla Mae Hounchell

NEWS LETTER

Beta Sigma has been just buzzing with activity. We thought we were ruined when all of our officers except the treasurer moved away, but under the capable leadership of our Vice President, Opal Law, this year has been a most pleasant and successful one.

Local charity consisted of filling baskets for the needy and helping them in various ways. We also voted to buy films for the visual aids program at school. Eight of our girls completed the Red Cross home nursing course.

Money was made by selling cards and wrappings, rummage sales, etc.

Our socials were wonderful, thanks to all our gracious and charming hostesses who are real culinary artists. You should have been with us on our "travel" party, going to three different homes, with each hostess in costume and having decorations, favors and refreshments to represent a different country. It was grand! The Christmas party by the light of the candles and the fire in the fireplace was in the basement of the beautiful home of Jeanette Bogardus; the literary social with poems by Riley and illustrations in chalk drawings. Every party we had was worthy of mention but there just isn't enough room.

Our pledge service was saddened by the tragic death of Scott Hubbard, husband of Louise, a Beta Sigma now living in Columbus, Indiana.

Formal initiation was held at our anniversary dinner and was hilariously climaxed by a very clever skit covering the past fifty years. This was written and narrated by our very talented Louise

Royce and songs, dances and stunts were done in costume by members of our chapter. What talent! What fun!

News Notes: Marilee Baxter and Marvin Gardner were married and have moved to Kansas City, Missouri. Laverne and Gilbert Hubbard have a baby boy named Gilbert Harrod. Margaret Warner has moved back to Austin and is with us again. Mary Morris, who has been inactive for some time, has been reinstated. We are hoping others will soon do the same.

New Members: Lena Weir, Juanita Parks, Evelyn Buchanan, Marie Groff and Ruth Platt.

BETA PHI CHAPTER

Shelbyville, Indiana

OFFICERS

President.....	Jack Brinson (Mrs. Dwight)
Vice President.....	Mary Kay Jones (Mrs. Paul)
Secretary.....	Marjorie Williams
Cor. Secy.....	Phyllis Ann Fager
Treasurer.....	Thelma Bausback (Mrs. Henry, Jr.)
Ass't. Treas.....	Joan Carr (Mrs. Martin)
Con.....	Jeannette Bausback (Mrs. James)

NEWS LETTER

Beta Phi Chapter has enjoyed a very busy and prosperous year endeavoring to fulfill the objectives of our sorority and responding to all worthy calls for charity.

Our Thrift Shop continues to be a means of raising funds for various charitable enterprises and under the able guidance of Dorothy Trueb the Thrift Shop has completed a most successful year. We are also making a reasonable profit on our ball chewing gum machines and our card and magazines sales. In October, we presented Mrs. Olive Ensler Tinder in a public book review of "Tomorrow We Reap," by James Street.

Three of our members attended the province meeting at Clifty Falls and eight attended mid-year at Indianapolis.

Our Ruby Kinman Award was presented to Sharon Richardson, one of our new Psi Ote pledges.

We are sending one child to Ball State Summer Clinic.

Our Halloween party was a success with the prize costume being worn by Katherine DePrez. Our guest tea was held in November at the home of Gladys Brandenburger. Among our guests we were honored to have two of our Grand Officers, Mrs. J. D. Young and Mrs. W. E. Hougland. The Christmas party was held at the home of Bernice Griffith. Heart friends were revealed through the exchange of Christmas gifts and names were drawn for the new year. Other parties reported by our local society page were our January Twelfth birthday party and our February social at which time Miss Eleanor Brooks, teacher of speech and hearing therapy in the Greensburg

schools, gave a very interesting talk. Our county and city school nurses and the members of the board of education were our special guests. Our March meeting was a musicale and an evening of fun was had at our April party designing spring bonnets. Our May breakfast, held at the Sportsman's Club, was well attended. June was quite a busy month with the installation of new officers and a pledge service and picnic. July and August promise to be even busier as we help in the traveling clinic which is to visit our town in July and participate in the Shelby County Centennial Celebration which comes August 6-12.

Marriages: Clarion Joy Robinson to Hugh Cassidy.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Adams, a daughter, Jane Rosalie.

DELTA IOTA CHAPTER

Cincinnati, Ohio

OFFICERS

President.....	Mrs. Peggy Lenzer
Vice President.....	Mrs. Leslie Eberts
Secretary.....	Mrs. Eunice Davis
Cor. Secy.	Mrs. Margaret Dale
Treasurer.....	Mrs. Lucy Mae Oesting

NEWS LETTER

We are very happy to have added two new members to our chapter during this year—Mrs. Julie Gorski, formerly of Richmond, and Mrs. Mary Louise Leahy, formerly of Seymour—and just as sorry to lose Mrs. Harriett McNaughton, whose husband was transferred to Endicott, New York, by International Business Machines, with whom he is associated.

One Delta Iota member was married this year—Margene Williams, on January 21st, to D. W. Granger.

Since the October Helicon, Cincinnati Chapter has played hostess to the Hamilton County Home residents at their Thanksgiving entertainment, celebrated our third Christmas together with a party at Vernon Manor, and participated in a table setting contest sponsored by the Cincinnati Gas and Electric Company.

The table setting contest was open to



Christmas Party, Delta Iota Chapter,
Cincinnati, Ohio.

all clubs and organizations, and many unusual and attractive tables were displayed. Ours was a breakfast table, done with antique milk glass and old silver. Our table linen was pale pink and the flower centerpiece of purple violets and pink carnations. Quite the loveliest, we thought, of all we saw. Unfortunately the judges on that particular day thought otherwise, for we did not win the prize.

Our quilt raffle netted us over \$100.00, and we also sold boxed gift stationery to make money. Our white elephant sales have proved as popular and profitable this year as last.

Charity subjects for the past year have included Veterans' Hospital, county home, and the Fine Arts Organization of Cincinnati.

Our president, Mrs. Peggy Lenzer, attended convention this year and reported Brookston as indeed gracious and lavish hostesses. We always gather 'round eagerly for our delegate's convention report. While we thoroughly enjoy our local chapter activities and social contacts, we look to convention as our connecting link with the home front.

We closed our year, with regret, on June 28th, and anticipate with pleasure our first fall meeting and the beginning of another year of Psi Ote association.

GAMMA IOTA CHAPTER

Shoals, Indiana

OFFICERS

President.....	Helen Cropp
Vice President.....	Laura Marshall

NEWS LETTER

Gamma Iota is still "in the clouds" about winning the achievement cup at the convention! We're certainly proud to have it, and we hope we can continue to keep it.

In December, pledge services were held for seven girls: Rosabelle Brown, Claretta Prior, Lucille Hawkins, Ruth Billings, Louise Franklin, Helen Jones and Inez Sorrells. Our Christmas party, following the initiation, was held in the home of our former president, Blanche Dollens.

Gamma Iota sponsored the book review "Family Fortunes," by Mrs. Given Davenport, and it was given by Mrs. Lorene Rhodes of French Lick. This book review was free. Millie Sellman (past Grand President) sang, accompanied by Doris Elmore, of Washington, Indiana. In May, a family picnic was held at the Martin County State Forest.

In June, Gamma Iota served a delicious luncheon at Dr. and Mrs. G. M. Cropp's cabin for the dental association.

We raised our money this year by sell-

ing chances on a sled, doll and lamp, game parties, birthday calendar and our bake and rummage sales.

We sent Wanda Stiles, a local girl, to Girls' State this year.

Our biggest project is furnishing milk (during the school months) to grades 1, 2, and 3. We also supply the rural schools with paper drinking cups.

We are looking forward to another exciting and busy year and to our past president, Blanche, we want to say "Thanks a million" for guiding us, and to our new president, Helen, we want to say "We'll help a million" (as we've said before) to keep the cup!

GAMMA LAMBDA CHAPTER

Paris Crossing, Indiana

OFFICERS

President.....	Merylee Lurton
Vice President.....	Dorothea Shepherd
Treasurer.....	Irene Schepman
Secretary.....	Frances Gray
Cor. Secy.....	Marjorie Legrand
Conductress.....	Lorena Taff

NEWS LETTER

Twelve months have passed since we were installed and we have reached the grand old age of one year!

"Firsts" are always historically important and we have had so many of them this year.

On April 24 a lovely pledge service was held before a candle-lighted, rose-be-decked altar for Elda Maines, Catherine Coons, and Virginia Winburn at the home of Aleeta Kinder. A party in honor of our new pledges followed which reflected Psi Ote ideals in games featuring the best in literature, music, and art.

Our first initiation was combined with our first anniversary celebration at the home of our president, Merylee Lurton on the 29th of May.

Of our year's achievements I think we are perhaps most proud of our pledge and initiation equipment.

We have a lovely cedar lock box bearing the Psi Ote crest, a replica of a turquoise Grecian lamp that is beautiful when filled with Joanna Hill roses on our altar, six diamond shaped turquoise

and gold candle holders, a white Bible, a satin cloth, and a lovely shield bearing the coat-of-arms. (Both the chest and the shield were made by a friend of Merylee.) Our altar was lovely for both pledging and initiation, and I hope our pledges were as thrilled as were we of "the old Guard."

Following initiation a beautiful cake proudly bearing one candle was brought in on a silver tray and given the place of honor in the center of the room while we sang "Happy Birthday, Gamma Lambda."

Several of North Vernon's Alpha Omegas, our sponsoring chapter, were at our initiation — including Southern Province Chairman Roweta Clark, and together we rejoiced at our achievements and mapped tentative plans for the coming year.

To all of us, initiation was a memorable evening from the turquoise and gold programs to the last goodbye as we bade our Alpha Omega guests Godspeed, and as permanent reminder we have three lovely new initiates, of whom we expect much for Psi Iota Xi.

Four of our girls attended "Parsifal" on Palm Sunday and came back so inspired all of us were sorry not to have been there.

Merylee and Dorothea, our president and vice president, have just returned from convention at Lafayette — again fired with new zeal and we immediately made plans for a community auction, a bake sale (our bake sales have been quite profitable and we have been highly complimented on the attractiveness of our displays), and wreaths designed for the Christmas holiday trade.

I hope it will not seem too conceited for us to rejoice that we were next to highest in percentage of attendance for the year.

Our year has been rich in satisfaction for us of Gamma Lambda, and we are very anxious to win for ourselves more of the lovely things of life and to share them with others through Psi Iota Xi.

Will see you at Columbus next year and may you all have a good Psi Ote year.





In Memoriam



Following is the memorial service so capably prepared and presented by the Delta Zeta Chapter at the 1950 National Convention at West Lafayette. No service could be more appropriate or fitting for us to use in memory of our deceased members.

"The memories of our loyal members who have passed away will remain with us always, even though they themselves may be far away. For, in the quiet of this moment and the reverence of this occasion, let us honor the members of our chapters who have been taken from us during the past year.

"They that love beyond the world cannot be separated by it. Death cannot destroy what never dies.

"Nor can spirits ever be divided that love and live in the same divine principle, the root, and record of their friendship.

"Death is but crossing the world as friends do the seas — they live in one another still.

"This is the comfort of friends, that though they may be said to die, yet their friendship, their laughter, their words, are ever present in our thoughts, because they are immortal.

*"I never saw a moor,
I never saw the sea;
Yet know I how the heather looks,
And what a wave must be."*

*"I never spoke with God,
Nor visited in Heaven;
Yet certain am I of the spot
As if the chart were given."*

MRS. THOMAS PARKER HAYWOOD
Kokomo

Mrs. Thomas Parker Haywood, the former Mary Caroline Ingels, died in childbirth on February 21, 1950 at the St. Joseph Hospital, Kokomo. The infant son, Thomas Lin, survives. She leaves a host of friends and relatives who were greatly shocked by her untimely death.

Mrs. Haywood was born in Kokomo, March 25, 1918. She graduated from the Kokomo High School in 1936 and from Earlham College in 1940. She was initiated into Kappa Chapter of Psi Iota Xi Sorority in 1936. She was also a member of the A. A. U. W. She will be deeply missed by her many friends.



MISS PRISCILLA HUNT
Fort Wayne

Pi Chapter of Fort Wayne deeply regrets the passing of Priscilla Hunt, one of its illustrious pledges. Priscilla's mother and sister are devoted members of Pi and we sympathize with them for their loss from the family group.

Priscilla was a brilliant girl, having been valedictorian of her high school graduating class and having received national recognition for an essay she wrote for the National Chamber of Commerce. She was an honor student at Bryn Mawr and would have graduated in 1950. We repeat a tribute paid to Priscilla in the Bryn Mawr year book which was dedicated to her: "She was a girl endowed with a keen sense of justice and her discussions and ideals were some indication of the fine things she might have done. Although she possessed a keen enjoyment of things outside herself she was always strictly Priscilla, possessing an unconscious integrity." Pi Chapter joins her mother and sister in the endeavor to keep alive her high ideals.



MRS. MAE PARKER CASH
Vincennes

Mae Parker Cash of 1222 Burnet Lane, Vincennes, passed away on March 25th, 1950.

She was an active member of Omicron Chapter, serving in whatever capacity she was called upon to do. Her beautiful voice and the readings she gave will long be remembered by those who knew her.

She was a member of the First Methodist Church, Past Matron of the Order of the Eastern Star, P. E. O. Sisterhood of Lawrenceville, Ill., Fortnightly Club, American Legion Auxiliary, Y. W. C. A. and Psi Iota Xi.

Mrs. Cash graduated from Missouri Wesleyan College and attended Horner Conservatory in Kansas City, Mo. She also did Chautauqua work and taught music and dramatics in Missouri.

She gave of her energy and talents and she was rich in companionship. The present day will pass away, but in the future years, the thoughts of you, Mae, will fill our hearts with tears, the thoughts of you so good, so true, will fill our eyes with tears.

MRS. LUCY RHOADARMER ALDRICH
Angola

Rho Chapter, of Angola, is saddened by the loss of one of our newest members, Mrs. Lucy Rhoadarmer Aldrich. Her home had been in Waterloo with her aunt and uncle, Dr. and Mrs. Showalter, before she became the bride of Dr. Wendell Aldrich, of Angola, on January 15, 1949. Lucy was a graduate of Indiana University where she was a member of the Kappa Kappa Gamma Sorority, and became a member of Psi Iota Xi last fall. We can say with sincerity that all who knew her, loved her.

MISS ALICE ADKINS
Lafayette

Miss Alice Adkins was born in Lafayette, Indiana, on January 2, 1899, the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Lee Adkins. Alice became a member of Tau Chapter, the active chapter of Lafayette at that time after graduating from Jefferson High School. She then affiliated with the associate group when it was formed in 1940 and became a charter member of Delta Zeta. Alice was a most active and loyal Psi Ote.

She was a clerk in the Monon Railroad General Offices for more than twenty-five years and a lifelong member of St. John's Episcopal Church. Alice had been in poor health for more than a year preceding her death and had been on leave of absence from her work, but she passed away quite suddenly on June 16, 1949, while visiting her sister in Washington, D. C.



MISS ANN SMITH
Sullivan

Beta Beta Chapter of Psi Iota Xi sorority and community at large were deeply stirred by the tragic death of Miss Ann Smith, 19, Psi Ote of one year's standing, in an automobile accident on May 28, 1950. Her death was instantaneous. Ann's lovable personality and vocal talent had made her a great favorite with all who knew her. She had participated in many Psi Ote activities, serving on the committee for the anniversary banquet only a few days before her death.

Young and gay of heart describes Ann to perfection. We who mourn her passing comfort ourselves with the thought of her eternal youth.

MRS. HARRIET WEARLEY GRAYSTON
Huntington

Mrs. Harriett Wearley Grayston, (Mrs. A. Kendrick) was born September 3, 1924 and died in September, 1949. During the many years that Harriett belonged to Psi Iota Xi, she was a most loyal member, giving generously her advice and guidance so often sought and needed. She was a charter member of Phi Chapter, a fact of which we are proud.

She had a great many interests and capabilities. Her life cannot be judged brief when judged by its quality and intensity rather than by duration of time.

When you think of the part she played in this great march of time, let this consideration come to your mind; that the home-maker is the constant recreator of culture, civilization, and virtue. We believe that Harriett played well her role as homemaker, and we are proud to think that Psi Ote was a source of enrichment and a contributing factor in this success.



MRS. LORETTA FOELLINGER TEEPLE
Fort Wayne

Pi Chapter is deeply grieved over the loss of Loretta Foellinger Teeple, one of its most active, energetic and beloved members. A lifelong resident of Fort Wayne and a member of one of its prominent families, Loret was graduated from South Side High School and the University of Illinois. She was married in 1945 to Richard Teeple, an esteemed attorney in Fort Wayne. Loret's enthusiasm for the many worthwhile activities which filled her life was contagious and her sunny disposition and friendly manner will always be remembered. She held numerous responsible offices in Psi Ote and although her interests were wide and varied she was always a loyal and hard-working member. Her fearless nature led her to participate in all kinds of sports — skiing, sailing and flying.

It was while on a fishing trip with her husband that their plane crashed near LaCrosse, Wisconsin. However, Loret had those qualities that will keep her memory alive through the years.

We of Pi Chapter sympathize deeply with her mother and sister Helene, also a beloved member of Pi Chapter, and while we can truthfully say of Loret, "We will sing her praise a thousand ways" we vow to make her proud of the way she has inspired us to carry on in her absence.



MRS. MARIE STULMACHER ATKINS
Crown Point

Mrs. Marie Stulmacher Atkins, a member of Beta Xi Chapter, Crown Point, succumbed at Tucson, Arizona. She had been living there because the climate was helpful for a pulmonary condition she had been subject to for many years. Her health had been so improved that she had been working in the office of a construction company. She left one son, Tommy, besides three brothers. While an active member of Beta Xi, Marie's charm made all love her and she will be missed. Whenever she returned home for visits, she always renewed her friendships in Beta Xi.



MRS ILMA ENDER CRESAP
Frankfort

In tribute to Mrs. Ilma Cresap, Beta Tau Chapter has indeed suffered a tragic loss in losing her from our midst. As accompanist to the Psi Ote Choir, we came to know her well and to appreciate her ability as well as her sincere efforts to further our aims in music. As a member of the chapter, she represented all that was best in what Psi Ote stands for. She was friendly to all with whom she came in contact, not only in the organizations to which she belonged but to many people in Frankfort.

Mrs. Cresap started piano when a child and was teaching piano at the age of 16. She did concert piano work in Chicago and was assistant director of the La-Barthe School of Piano until her marriage to Charles H. Cresap. She moved to Frankfort in 1944, after the death of her husband. Mrs. Cresap passed away April 23, 1950.

MRS. EVA DANIELS ROST
Columbus

Eva Daniels Rost (Mrs. Carl) was born in Virginia and came to Columbus when a very young child, where she lived until her death, which occurred March 31, 1950.

She was one of the first initiates, in 1904, of Epsilon Chapter of Psi Iota Xi, and was a faithful member until becoming honorary inactive.

Though Eva was without children, she had a great love for them, and reared a nephew, to whom she was devoted.

Her unselfishness, patience, and lovable character were shown, especially during her long illness of more than a year, and her memory will always linger in the minds of her many friends.

MISS GARNET ELEANOR GINN
Portland

Miss Garnet Eleanor Ginn was a member of Gamma Alpha Chapter of Psi Iota Xi at Portland. She passed away Feb. 27, 1950, in Portland. She was born October 13, 1916, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Estil Ginn of Mount Summit, Indiana. She became a member of the Portland Chapter when she went there to teach home economics in the Portland High School in 1943, and was initiated in December, 1943. She held the position as home economics instructor at Portland for seven years prior to her death.

The chapter was shocked and grieved at her untimely death which occurred shortly after her attendance at a sorority meeting.

MRS. LUCIA COZZENS
Muncie

In October, 1949, Lucia Cozzens, a former Muncie Psi Iota Xi member, was killed by thieves in her home in Africa. Just two years before at the October meeting of Alpha Chapter, while on leave from her missionary station in Elat, West Africa, she delighted members with stories about "her people."

Mrs. Cozzens and her husband, Edwin, had served as missionaries in Africa since the early twenties. At the time of her death, her husband was attending a conference in Spanish Guinea, and other missionaries, whose homes are adjacent to theirs, were absent on furlough.

Mrs. Cozzens went to Muncie from New York state in 1917 to serve as secretary of the Y. W. C. A. She was a highly valued and respected member of Alpha Chapter and will be greatly missed by her many friends, both at Muncie and abroad.



Symphony Notes



DOROTHY SPARKS FOSTER
Symphony Chairman

The Psi Iota Xi 1949-1950 season was a very successful one. Forty-seven chapters purchased eighty-seven season tickets to the Indianapolis Symphony concerts. Twenty-one chapters contributed to the Orchestra's Maintenance Fund. Sixteen chapters left their tickets in the Psi Ote ticket pool. These tickets were given to music students.

In the name of Psi Iota Xi, Miss Elsie Sweeney again gave 50 student season tickets to be distributed, through the chapters, to the schools of the State.

Our Symphony Endowment is growing slowly. We have over \$10,000.00 in Government Bonds in the fund. The interest from these bonds this year was divided equally between the Indianapolis Symphony Maintenance Fund and the Fort Wayne Philharmonic Maintenance Fund.

Pi Chapter of Fort Wayne was awarded the Symphony Cup this year for its outstanding help to the Fort Wayne Philharmonic Orchestra.

It is hoped that the chapters will continue their generous help to these orchestras. Psi Iota Xi is gaining prominence as a sponsor of the most cultural achievements of the State and we do not want to lose this estimable reputation.

Miss Sweeney is most anxious that Psi Iota Xi again support the 1951 performance of "Parsifal" at Indiana University next spring. It seems that after Miss Sweeney's generosity in entertaining over a hundred Psi Otes as her guests at the last performance, we should do all

that we can to promote this wonderful production. Do you have any suggestions as to how you might promote "Parsifal" in your own community? We will welcome all suggestions.

Dorothy S. Foster,
Symphony Chairman

Dear Mrs. Doles:

Thank you for allowing me a little space in "The Helicon" to thank all the members of Psi Iota Xi for their interest and support. The problem of maintaining a great civic organization like the Indianapolis Symphony Orchestra in these days is not an easy one, but with the loyal help of such wonderful friends as your Sorority, we feel we can carry on.

I am hopeful that we can find some more concrete form than mere words to thank all of you for what you have done, not only by purchasing season tickets, but through your contribution to our Maintenance Fund, and the Psi Iota Xi Endowment Fund.

Plans are under way for a real "Symphony Surprise Party" in which I feel sure you will all be interested. Until we can announce more definite plans, let me just say once again, a great big THANK YOU.

Cordially yours
HOWARD HARRINGTON,
Manager Indianapolis Symphony
Orchestra

Charity Projects



MILDRED LAWSON
Charity Chairman

CHARITY REPORT

This concludes my third year as your charity chairman. It has been a decided pleasure and a most interesting and worthwhile experience to have served Psi Iota Xi in this capacity. To me, the charitable efforts and many outstanding accomplishments in this field are what makes us so very proud of our sorority. It is amazing when we look at the overall picture of what we have accomplished in a year's time and even more amazing when we see a total of three years' charitable efforts. In three years our national sorority has spent \$15,263.00 on its charity program and individual chapters in that time have spent a total of \$151,000.16 on their charitable projects in their own communities. These figures in themselves are stupendous, although it is difficult to show the good we have done in terms of dollars and cents. Rather, I like to think of the number of handicapped children to whom we have given a new lease on life, the students we have encouraged to enter the field of teaching handicapped children, and to know that we have encouraged and supported cultural projects. Also, I like to think of the good each individual chapter is doing in its own community. All of this adds up to something that makes

one proud she is a member of an organization which is able through its charity program to accomplish so much good.

A new two-year charity program was voted upon at our recent June convention. Delegates voted to continue the traveling clinic in co-operation with Indiana University; they voted the continuance of the summer boarding clinic in connection with Ball State Teachers College; they granted a half time graduate assistantship to a worthy student at Indiana State Teachers College specializing in the field of Speech and Hearing Therapy and they voted a \$100 scholarship to a graduate student in this same field at Ohio State University.

All of these projects are outstanding and very worthwhile. Our charity budget for the next two years is approximately \$5,000.00 per year. It is each and every individual chapter and each active member in every chapter that make this charity program possible. If you give the same wholehearted co-operation to your new charity chairman which I have always received, I know that this program for which you have voted can be carried out with efficiency.

Lou Martin

Speech and Hearing Projects

By DR. ROBERT MILISEN

The Psi Ote national sorority as well as the local chapters have made a very large and important contribution to the development of interest in handicapped children and programs designed to examine and treat children who have speech and hearing disorders. There is probably no organization in the United States which has started as early and stayed with the program as long as the Psi Iota Xi.

In 1938 the national organization voted to support a Traveling Clinic project at Indiana University. Since that time the Psi Otes have supported each year either a Traveling Clinic or a clinical project at Bloomington. For the past two years the project has been in the nature of a summer Traveling Clinic program designed primarily for the pur-

pose of reaching rural children who have not been contacted before and whose public schools do not offer rehabilitation work for the speech and hearing handicapped. The purposes of this Traveling Clinic are to offer facilities for examination and diagnosis for handicapped persons. This service is in the field of re-education — not in medicine — to acquaint persons in need of therapy with the existing facilities and to assist them in obtaining the help they need and to interest the normal persons in the rehabilitation of the handicapped persons.

The unit is composed of a speech pathologist, a clinical psychologist, and two speech and hearing therapists. They are in the field for nine weeks during the months of June, July, and August. They are kept busy each day examining handicapped children, consulting with



Miss Laila Larsen with four of her pupils in the Speech and Hearing Clinic at Indiana University, Bloomington, during visit of Grand Council, April, 1950.

parents and other interested persons, demonstrating methods of therapy, helping local schools to develop programs, and discussing problems of handicapped children before groups. Before this Traveling Clinic can go into the field, however, a great deal of ground work is done by personal conferences and by correspondence. Letters containing information about the Clinic were sent to all city and county superintendents, elementary school principals, and school nurses. Later in the spring letters were sent to superintendents asking if they had children who needed examinations and telling them how many of those children could be examined. After receiving an answer from these superintendents, case history forms were sent to them to be given to parents, teachers, and doctors. After these forms were filled out and returned to the Clinic, the specific dates were sent when the children could be examined, and the centers were indicated where the children would be examined. An attempt is made to change the center from one year to another in order to enable each local chapter of the Psi Iota Xi to have some direct contact with the Clinic while it is in that locality. This is not always possible if a large area is to be served which has only one Psi Ote chapter.

During the summer of '49, over 400 children and adults received examinations and recommendations. Parents and other interested adults received in-

structions as to how to deal with these problems. Reports were sent to all of the school systems referring cases to the Clinic and also to other referral agencies. A number of letters have been received which indicate the satisfaction which a number of parents have felt toward the examination program which the Psi Otes had sponsored. Also, a number of children who could not be treated satisfactorily in their own home town and who probably would not have received help otherwise have been sent to clinics and hospital centers for the educational rehabilitation or medical care which they needed.

In the '49 clinic over 40 per cent of the counties responded. This year it is not possible to say how many counties will have children examined, but plans are made to examine children from over 120 different school systems; and, if most of the schools follow through with the examinations as expected, we should reach into many more rural areas in the summer of '50 than in the summer of '49. The summer clinic in our estimation has been a definite success, but it has not achieved the final goal of interesting all of the rural communities in the field of special education. After some additional time has been allotted to this goal, it should be possible to interest these communities in obtaining professionally trained people who can give assistance to their handicapped children.



I. U. Speech and Hearing Clinic visited by Grand Council April 1, 1950.

All the members of the Traveling Clinic and the administrators at Indiana University are most appreciative of the opportunity of serving the handicapped child by means of the co-operation and financial assistance given by the Psi Iota Xi Sorority.



Dear Miss Flint:

Many times since your visit to Terre Haute last year I have meant to contact you and thank you on behalf of your organization for your assistance in college. I did appreciate it very much, and now that I'm teaching I realize more fully that special education is the answer in so many cases of supposedly backward children.

My little school is located in Neche, North Dakota, a town of about 563 people. The high school has sixty-six students, three teachers, of which I am one; it is a wonderful experience. Thanks again to you and have a happy year.

Sincerest wishes,
MIRIAM BURRIDGE,

July 24, 1950

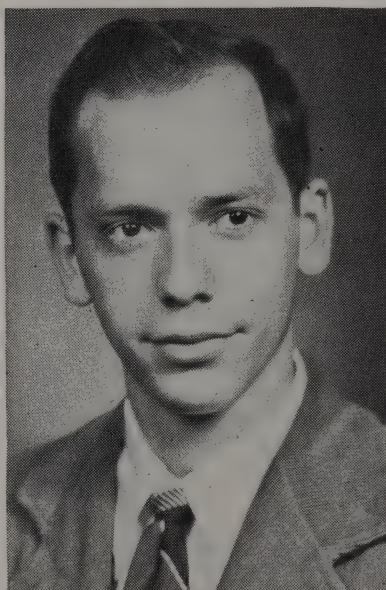
Indiana State Teachers College,
Terre Haute, Indiana
The Special Education Clinics

This report on your assistance to deserving college students to continue their training to become teachers of exceptional children is only a small link in your long chain of service. We in the education of exceptional children hear of your service work whichever way we turn but we know it extends in many other directions too.

At Indiana State Teachers College your service program this year was directly to college students through scholarships. Five students, three women and two men, made good scholastic rec-

ords, two with averages of "A" and three with averages of "B" in addition to considerable extra-curricular college work. All of the students have plans for next year. Three of them are starting on their work of service to exceptional children; one in speech correction to Vincennes, Indiana, one in speech correction to Cincinnati, Ohio, and one in the education of mentally retarded children to International Falls, Minnesota. Of the two remaining, one completed his bachelor's degree and will continue in school for graduate work and the other a junior this year will complete his fourth year of college. These students have greatly appreciated the assistance that you have given them and on several occasions have stated that it was one of the important factors enabling them to complete their education.

Sincerely yours,
RUTHERFORD B. PORTER, Director.



June 20

Dear Miss Flint:

This may be a tardy letter, but certainly one full of gratitude to Psi Iota Xi for sponsoring my last year of undergraduate work in Special Education at Indiana State Teachers College.

You may be interested to know that I have elected to continue my studies here at Indiana State in Special Education, and have received a graduate assistantship at the Speech and Hearing Clinic.

Again I wish to express my appreciation for the worthy aims of your organization, and for their assistance to me in completing my education.

Sincerely,
WILLIAM E. SHERVEY,
Terre Haute, Indiana.

The National Psi Iota Xi Sorority and Ball State Teachers College jointly sponsor a summer out-patient clinic for children. It has two purposes, the helping of children who have speech and hearing deficiencies and the training of teachers for handicapped children. The National Psi Iota Xi Sorority provides board, room, and a contingent fee for ten children for ten weeks each year. Local sorority chapters provide the spending money, paying it directly to Ball State Teachers College. If parents of the children can afford the spending money they reimburse the local chapter that is sponsoring the child. Ball State pays the cost of instruction and supplies.

The cost to the Psi Iota Xi Sorority is for board, room, and fees. The board and room for each child is \$13 per week. This would be \$1300 for the two five-week sessions or a total of \$2600 for a two-year arrangement. The contingent fee for medical, library, and recreational service is \$7.50 for each child for each five-week period. There are two five-week terms each summer. The total cost for contingent fees would be \$150 a year or \$300 for the two-year period. The total cost of the program for your sorority would then be \$1450 for each year or \$2900 for two years. Your sorority might be interested in knowing that Ball State Teachers College, each year, plans on spending \$2100 in addition to its regular teacher training budget for the summer out-patient program.

It is our hope and desire that children chosen for the summer clinic could come from towns where there are Psi Ote chapters and where these local chapters could aid in the follow-up work both through the schools and the home. It is also our desire that representatives from

local chapters be chosen or appointed to attend our clinic program each summer. Perhaps this is an item of business that each local chapter could take up at its next meeting.

Yours very truly,
ALAN W. HUCKLEBERRY, Director
Special Education and Clinics.

BALL STATE TEACHERS COLLEGE
SPEECH AND HEARING CLINIC
Sample
CHILDREN'S PROGRAM

7:30	Breakfast
8:00- 9:00	Group Lessons and Individual Lessons
9:00- 9:45	Swimming
10:00-10:45	Group and Individual Lessons
11:00-11:45	Group and Individual Lessons
11:45	Lunch
12:15- 1:15	Rest
1:15- 2:00	Group and Individual Lessons
2:15- 3:00	Group and Individual Lessons
3:00- 4:00	Creative Dramatics
4:00- 5:00	Play time at Burris or Emerson; Library Time; Trips
5:00- 5:45	Home to clean up; read and rest
5:45	Dinner
6:15- 6:30	Free play time, reading or mail time
6:30- 7:30	Special programs, movies, story telling, records, etc.
8:00	And so to bed



Meeting of Central Province at the Portland Country Club with Gamma Alpha Chapter as hostess.

Gamma Mu Installed



Back row, left to right: Zella Cwalina, Miriam Riley, Jo Christena, Helen Pierce, Gene Stearns Lillian Stewart, Ruth Lischke, Ida Scarseth, Mary McDowell, Shirley McTague, Kay Mallett, Hilda Fauber. Seated, Page Karling, Brenta Wykoff, Charlotte Stewart, Kay Christian, Jayne Gilbert and Helen Keller. Absent, Inez Canan.

In a beautiful setting in the East Faculty Lounge of the Purdue Union Building, Psi Iota Xi's newest chapter, Gamma Mu, was installed June 22, 1950, on the eve preceding national convention.

Mrs. J. D. Young, Grand President, impressively led the ritualistic service, assisted by other members of Grand Council. Charter members of the new chapter are Mrs. R. D. Canan, Mrs. J. E. Christian, Mrs. W. E. Christena, Mrs. G. E. Cwalina, Mrs. D. E. Fauber, Mrs. H. W. Gilbert, Mrs. J. S. Karling, Mrs. S. E. Keller, Mrs. J. B. Lischke, Mrs. D. R. Mallett, Mrs. R. W. McDowell, Mrs. Jerome McTague, Mrs. Helen T. Pierce, Mrs. R. G. Riley, Mrs. G. D. Scarseth, Mrs. L. E. Stearns, Mrs. Albert P. Stewart, Mrs. R. B. Stewart, and Mrs. George Wykoff.

Following the installation ceremony, the members of the new chapter were hostesses to Grand Council and members of Psi Iota Xi throughout the state, who came for the gala occasion, at a dinner in the West Faculty Lounge.

No one was left in doubt as to the capabilities of the new group as their "birth announcement" party was carried out in full detail. Signs of "Welcome to our birth announcement party," with darling baby faces greeted the guests who found their places at the tables by their own

birthdates—previously obtained by the hostess group.

A profusion of garden flowers and lighted yellow tapers decorated the tables and beautiful corsages made by Gamma Mu girls themselves were given the Grand Council members. Baby shoe vases marked each place as did also a favor of boxed candy "pinned up" in gold and blue in the traditional manner.

Beautiful musical numbers were given by the newly formed Lebanon Chorus, under the direction of Mary Deer, author of one of our Psi Ote songs.

Mrs. Robert O'Neill, past president of the Lafayette Associate Chapter, that sponsored the newly organized chapter, introduced Mrs. Young, who made the response and in turn, installed the new officers of Gamma Mu. She also introduced members of Grand Council and Mrs. Albert P. Stewart, president of the new Lafayette chapter.

Mrs. Stewart presented the members of Gamma Mu, introduced other visitors, and presented Mrs. Sverre Lysgaard of Oslo, Norway, and now a student-teacher at Purdue University, who delighted her audience with her interpretation of Norway music and discussion of Norwegian customs.

Start saving your pennies, because you won't want to miss the 1951 Convention to be held at Columbus June 15-16, with Mount Vernon Chapter as hostess.



1951 Convention



And now again — Psi Iota Xi in 1951 will hold its annual convention outside of our home state of Indiana.

At the 1950 convention in Lafayette, the invitation of Beta Upsilon chapter of Mt. Vernon, Ohio, was movingly presented by chapter President Marion Deeley, and was accepted by a tremendous majority. Thus the 1951 gathering will be in Columbus, Ohio, June 15 and 16, with Beta Upsilon as hostess chapter.

Beta Upsilon has long been recognized by the Grand Council as one of our most active and progressive chapters. Under the leadership of Louise Koch, chapter president in 1948-49 and again in 1949-50, the chapter has undertaken a number of projects which have been successfully completed. The 1951 annual convention is the chapter's biggest project of its history.

With characteristic energy, Beta Upsilon has already begun preparations for the event. Louise Koch has been named general chairman for the convention arrangements, and Helen Pond and Katherine Seibold have been appointed co-chairmen.

The Neil House, a famous Columbus, Ohio hostelry, has been chosen as the site of the convention. This well known hotel has entertained many conventions and is admirably equipped to do an excellent job. The hotel management is cooperating enthusiastically with Beta Upsilon's committee. Both the grand and junior ballrooms have been reserved for Psi Ote during the convention period. Breakfasts, luncheons and dinners will take place in the junior ballroom, pictured with this story, and with a stage, Hammond organ and other facilities. Smaller private dining rooms will be made available for committee and Grand Council meetings. Registration desks will be located in the mezzanine parlor, just outside the ballrooms. The Town and Country room, which features dancing and Chef Rene's fine cuisine, will offer entertainment during our leisure moments.

Announcements of room rates and advance registrations will be sent out well before the convention dates. Meanwhile, such important matters as the general theme of the convention, menus, favors and special entertainment features are having the committee's close attention. Announcements will be sent to all chapters as rapidly as arrangements are completed.

Beta Upsilon is eagerly looking forward to the pleasure and privilege of acting as hostess chapter in 1951. If the international situation does not become more serious (as every good Psi Ote is praying it will not) the 1951 gathering should be one of the most memorable in the history of our beloved sorority.

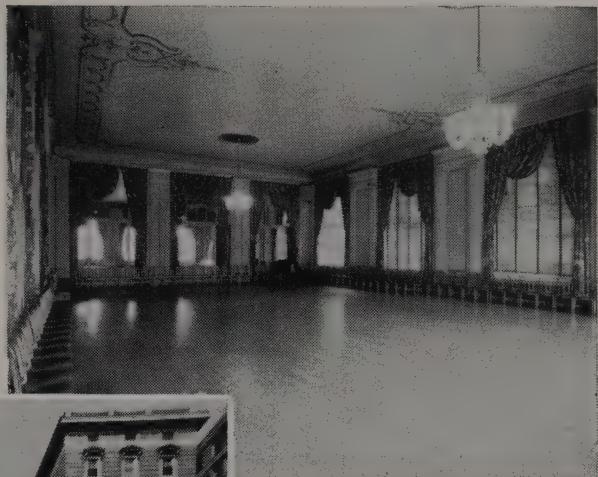
EPSILON CHAPTER TO BE HOSTESS FOR MID-YEAR

Starting their thoughts along the lines of "If Winter Comes, Can Spring Be Far Behind?" Epsilon Chapter plans to entertain you at Mid-Year with a "Spring Fantasy," so the grapevine says.

Date for the annual winter meeting has been announced as Saturday, January 20, with the Indianapolis Athletic Club as the setting. A delightful treat is in store for those attending the luncheon, which will be at 12 noon.

The surprise? Mrs. Henry F. Schricker, wife of the Governor of Indiana, through her daughter-in-law, Mrs. Henry F. Schricker, Jr., a member of Epsilon, has extended an invitation to tea following the luncheon program. The tea will be at the Governor's mansion on North Meridian Street, and with the luncheon to be served earlier, everyone should be able to enjoy this part of the mid-year meeting before having to head homeward. The tea will take the place of the customary coffee "get-together" in the morning.

The Junior Ballroom of the Neil House which will be the scene of several events during the 1951 Annual Convention of Psi Iota Xi.



High Street facade of the Neil House, famous Columbus, Ohio hostelry where 1951 Annual Convention will be held.



L. to r.: Marion Deeley (Mrs. George E.), president of Beta Upsilon Chapter, Mt. Vernon, O.; Louise Koch (Mrs. T. W.), past president of Beta Upsilon, and General Chairman for the 1951 convention; Katherine Seibold, (Mrs. Charles R.), Co-chairman for the convention. Helen Pond (Mrs. William E.), also a Co-chairman, was away on vacation when the picture was taken.



INFORMAL DINNER, CONVENTION, 1950

1950 Convention



Members of Grand Council making plans for convention with members of Chi Chapter, of Brookston. Reading from l. to r. those standing are Mrs. Chester May, Mrs. Charles Miller, and Mrs. Carl Roberts. Seated, l. to r. Mrs. Warren North, Mrs. Wendell Reed, Mrs. Dewey Young, Mrs. Emmons Hougland, and Mrs. John Hughes.

Chi Chapter, of Brookston, is to be congratulated for the superb way that they planned, promoted and perfected the 1950 national convention of Psi Iota Xi, which was held at the Union Building, West Lafayette, June 23 and 24.

A great deal of work was behind the clock-like precision with which the program of the 47th national convention progressed from the opening minutes to the dance finale, which closed one of the finest meetings of the organization that has been held.

Mrs. Warren North, Chi president, working with Mrs. John Hughes and Mrs. Charles Miller, convention chairmen, capably handled the 350 members that registered for the annual event.

Friday afternoon was devoted to business sessions, following a luncheon for grand officers in the Chestnut room.

Highlighting activities was an informal dinner Friday evening, decorations for which followed the theme "Literature." The unique centerpiece for the speakers' table was made of books, flanked by pottery book ends filled with flowers. Crested earrings in small boxes shaped like books marked sorority members' places.

The group was entertained in Eliza Fowler hall following the dinner. Members of the Little Theater players, under the direction of Dr. Ross D. Smith, presented "Years Ago," by Ruth Gordon.

A tour of the Purdue campus and buildings was enjoyed by delegates Friday afternoon following the business sessions.

Table decorations at the Saturday luncheon followed the theme of "Art."

Gold palettes holding floral arrangements centered the tables. Pottery lotus buds were given as favors. Past grand presidents, who were seated at a special table, were introduced by Mrs. Dorothy Morton, of Lebanon, chairman of the past grand presidents' club. The Purdue string ensemble provided music during the luncheon hour.

"Music" was the theme of decorations for the final get-together. Turquoise candles tied with gold ribbon and yellow flowers lined the tables. Blue and gold musical notes were strewn on the tables. Favors were miniature grand piano jewel boxes of gold filigree bearing the sorority crest. Bouquets for the table of the grand council and corsages for the council members were in the shape of musical notes. Bridge and dancing followed the closing banquet.

Delegates voted to continue support of the Indianapolis Symphony and the speech and hearing clinic, during the Saturday morning business session. A candle-lighted memorial service was conducted by Delta Zeta Chapter for members who have died during the past year. Mrs. Annadell Lamb, assisted by Mrs. Hazel Clark was in charge. Mrs. Charlotte Stewart, of the new Gamma Mu Chapter, of Lafayette, sang "The Lord's Prayer."

The Symphony Cup was awarded to Pi Chapter of Fort Wayne with Shoal's and Knightstown taking home the achievement cups. Drawings for the pictures were lucky for Delta Gamma, Fort Wayne, Cambridge City and Petersburg.

Province Meetings

Following the constitution, which sets province meetings for every other year, the fall of 1949 saw three exceptional gatherings of the chapters of Psi Iota Xi in their respective provinces.

NORTHERN

Northern Province meeting was held in September at Fort Wayne. Pi Chapter served as hostess with Miss Jean O'Rourke, the Northern Province chairman, as chairman of the meeting.

Reservations were for one hundred fifty sorority members from twenty-four chapters for the luncheon at the Hotel Van Orman. Business sessions preceded and followed the luncheon and problems of the sorority were "round-tabled."

"Music," one of the threefold aims of Psi Iota Xi was the theme and decorations were all in keeping with the musical idea, as the tables were beautifully decorated in blue and gold with musical notes throughout. Favors were French plates with a song in the motif. During the luncheon, a trio from the Philharmonic orchestra played.

SOUTHERN

The beautiful Clifty Inn at Clifty Falls State Park, was the setting to which we were taken for the Southern Province meeting. Although rain rather dampened the arrival of Grand Council the night before, there was nothing but sunshine to greet the delegates to the meeting held in October.

Alpha Omega Chapter, of North Vernon, was hostess for the province meeting, with Mrs. Glenn Clark, Southern Province chairman, as master of ceremonies. Meetings were held in the morning and again after lunch there was a

round-table discussion of problems facing the various chapters.

The dining room for the luncheon was decorated with all sorts of "Fall" produce, cleverly used as centerpieces and decorations. Favors to the guests were salt and pepper shakers in varied shapes and styles.

CENTRAL

In November, we went to Portland where Sis Peterson, Central Province chairman, and Gamma Alpha Chapter entertained. The morning meeting was at the Elks' Club, followed by a luncheon at the Portland Country Club at noon. The afternoon session of open discussion was held at the tables following the luncheon.

The Thanksgiving theme was used in very clever table appointments by the hostess chapter. Everyone was intrigued by the intricate work that had been done by some of the members in making their centerpieces and decorations truly life-like even to the corn bread on the hearth, and the food in the kettles. Not many a "gal" there but would have liked to have sat a while and played with the dolls and other equipment so capably constructed. Favors were figurines of Priscilla and John Alden.

All in all, the consensus was that the province meetings were highly successful, bringing to the chapters information that may have proved helpful to them in the following months. Good, spirited discussion is good for any active, thriving concern, and it was the hope of Grand Council that through these meetings, better things might be yours.

Mid-Year Luncheon

"A grass skirt, a palm tree, a coconut, a lei,

All appointments to be done in 'South Pacific' way"

So cleverly Iota Chapter asked members to appear

At the Athletic Club in Indianapolis for the Psi Ote Mid-Year."

True to their promise, members of the Rushville Chapter delightfully entertained delegates to mid-year in the South Pacific theme complete with banks of tropical flowers, corsages and leis for members of Grand Council and

special guests. Reservations were made for over 400 at the luncheon held in the ballroom of the Indianapolis Athletic Club on January 14, 1950.

Mrs. Louise Sparks and Mrs. Dorothy Ritter, a famous piano duo, furnished the program following the luncheon. An informal reception was held from 10 to 12 o'clock in the Green Room of the Club. Mrs. Howard Wilson, president of the Rushville Chapter, had serving with her for the affair Mrs. Byron Benson, as general chairman and Mrs. Arthur Wedeking as co-chairman.

TOTAL REPORT OF

NORTHERN PROVINCE CHAPTERS	
Miss Jean O'Rourke, Province Chairman	
Active Membership	1,205
Inactive Membership	376
Temporary Inactive Membership	159
Honorary Inactive Membership	99
Pledges	91
Amount of money earned this year	\$23,667.03
Amount received from other sources	1,411.15
Amount spent on general expenses	8,439.76
Balance in general fund as of May 15, 1950	4,447.59
Balance in charity fund as of May 15, 1950	8,214.01
Achievement Cup total spent on charity this year	18,880.64
Charity amount spent per capita of actual members this year	10.26
Average attendance (computed by per cent)	61.91%
Number of Indianapolis Symphony tickets purchased	22
Amount contributed to Indianapolis Symphony Maintenance Fund	\$77.00
Outstanding records are as follows: Largest active membership—Pi, Fort Wayne; Beta Nu, East Chicago.	
Greatest amount earned—Pi, Fort Wayne; Beta Alpha, Flora.	
Greatest amount spent on charity—Pi, Fort Wayne; Alpha Mu, Hartford City.	
Greatest amount per capita spent on charity—Pi, Fort Wayne; Gamma Zeta, Ossian.	
Highest attendance record—Beta Gamma, Peru; Delta Zeta, Lafayette.	

TOTAL REPORT OF

CENTRAL PROVINCE CHAPTERS

Mrs. K. G. Peterson, Province Chairman	
Active Membership	1,162
Inactive Membership	188
Temporary Inactive Membership	70
Honorary Inactive Membership	102
Pledges	108
Amount of money earned this year	\$19,521.21
Amount received from other sources	7,954.40
Amount spent on general expenses	8,198.59
Balance in general fund as of May 15, 1950	5,135.29
Balance in charity fund as of May 15, 1950	10,240.46
Achievement Cup total spent on charity this year	15,505.07
Charity amount spent per capita of actual members this year	\$11.95
Average attendance (computed by per cent)	68.2%
Number of Indianapolis Symphony tickets purchased	40

Amount contributed to Indianapolis Symphony Maintenance Fund

122.50

Outstanding records are as follows: Largest active membership — Alpha, Muncie, 88; Upsilon, Greenfield, 75.

Greatest amount earned — Upsilon, Greenfield, \$2,297.06; Gamma Eta, Knightstown, \$1,699.48.

Greatest amount spent on charity—Theta, New Castle, \$2,546.02; Alpha, Muncie, \$1,903.00.

Greatest amount per capita spent on charity — Gamma Eta, Knightstown, \$45.88.

Highest attendance record, Alpha Chi, Hagerstown, 90%; Alpha Pi, Fortville, 87%.

TOTAL REPORT OF

SOUTHERN PROVINCE CHAPTERS

Mrs. Roweta Clark, Province Chairman

Active Membership	1,285
Inactive Membership	162
Temporary Inactive Membership	73
Honorary Inactive Membership	91
Pledges	105
Amount of money earned this year	\$24,200.50
Amount received from other sources	2,144.28
Amount spent on general expenses	9,227.11
Balance in general fund as of May 15, 1950	5,441.05
Balance in charity fund as of May 15, 1950	10,930.74
Achievement Cup total spent on charity this year	18,929.19

Charity amount spent per capita of actual members this year

\$14.73

Average attendance (computed by per cent)

61.7%

Number of Indianapolis Symphony tickets purchased

48

Amount contributed to Indianapolis Symphony Maintenance Fund

212.50

Outstanding records are as follows: Largest active membership — Zeta, Bloomington, 107; Alpha Omicron, Vincennes, 100.

Greatest amount earned—Alpha Omicron, Vincennes, \$3,105.30; Beta Omega, New Albany, \$2,333.00.

Greatest amount spent on charity — Zeta, Bloomington, \$1,958.35; Beta Omega, New Albany, \$1,953.54.

Greatest amount per capita spent on charity — Gamma Iota, Shoals, \$48.98; Beta Omega, New Albany, \$24.00.

Highest attendance record — Gamma Iota, Shoals, 92%; Gamma Lambda, Paris Crossing, 83%.



THREE PAINTINGS AWARDED AT CONVENTION DRAWING

Our three province chairmen served on a committee to choose the Hoosier Art Salon pictures that Psi Iota Xi would purchase this year. Mrs. J. D. Young served on the board of trustees and Miss Leah Flint was named as secretary of the Salon.

The pictures selected, the artist and the lucky chapter that took the pictures back as cherished belongings were as follows:

"Sunday A. M. Wellfleet" by Joel W. Reichard to Delta Gamma of Fort Wayne.

"The Westerners" by Thomas O'Loughlin to Beta Pi, Cambridge City.

"Arrangement With Lemons" by Jean Swiggett, to Alpha Tau, Petersburg.

"PARSIFAL" AS GUESTS OF MISS ELSIE SWEENEY

Through the generosity of Miss Elsie Sweeney, in many ways a benefactor of Psi Iota Xi, Grand Council and members of the sorority throughout the state were guests at "Parsifal," the Lenten opera by Wagner, on Palm Sunday, at Bloomington.

The performance was a presentation of the Indiana University School of Music and was given in the Indiana University Auditorium. The religious music drama was conducted by Ernst Hoffman and directed by Hans Busch. Held on Palm Sunday, April 2, the opera opened at 4 o'clock with a break occurring at the end of the first act. At 7:15 the opera resumed.

During this break, delegates and Grand Council were guests of Miss Sweeney for dinner held in the Union Building. The entire affair was a delightful experience and one to be remembered by those fortunate enough to attend.

It is planned to make this presentation of "Parsifal" an annual production, and all Psi Otes wherever possible should plan to make this one of their "musts" in their 1951 schedule.

Leaves from the Editor's Notebook

CHAPTER LETTERS A GOOD SUGGESTION

At least two of the chapters have written in their news letter of a chapter news letter sending out information to their own chapters. I have seen the Goshen letter and found it highly interesting. If I had been an inactive member and saw all that was going on that I was missing, I wonder if I wouldn't have asked to get back into the fold. Maybe this is a suggestion for some of the chapters to keep their large membership interested and aware of what is going on. If sent to all members, active as well as inactive, it will serve as a reminder notice too, to be sure to keep that night for Psi Ote. If any of you try it, be sure to put your editor on your mailing list—I just might get there, too.

Do you owe someone a "thank you" note, an invitation or a gift? Remember your stationer has engraved informals, personal stationery and playing cards. And when you have that party, don't forget the place cards and paper napkins. Or if it's a greeting card you need for a sick friend or member, we have them. All are available through your stationer.

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Epsilon Chapter is very proud of the Girl Scout work performed by Clementine Miller. She is at present Chairman of the International Committee of Girl Scouts of America. As a member of the Western Hemisphere Committee of Guides and Girl Scouts, Clementine took part in a training conference in Guatemala in December, 1949. July of this year found Clementine en route to England, this time as one of the two United States delegates to the U. S. Conference of Guides and Girl Scouts to be held in Oxford.



Junior Miss America—Miss Carolyn Rudy, Alpha Eta Chapter, Bluffton.

All Psi Otes will be proud to know that we now have a real "Junior Miss America" in our sorority. Miss Carolyn Rudy, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Earl (Vera) Rudy of Bluffton, was chosen by ten judges over a field of eighteen contestants at Pittsburgh last August to be the first Junior Miss America. Bluffton initiated Carolyn along with six other lovely pledges into Psi Iota Xi June 26th. Carolyn has a lovely voice and is a talented pianist. In the picture she is wearing the dress she wore in the contest. The lovely lady in the photo on the piano is her grandmother, Mrs. Ed Rudy, one of Bluffton's patroness.

LEBANON PSI OTE FARMS "BY THE BOOK"

(Editor's note: Alma Nelson (Mrs. Robert) is a member of the Lebanon Psi Iota Xi Chapter. The following article appeared in the Sunday Indianapolis Star Magazine May 7, 1950.

Mrs. Robert Nelson couldn't find a dull minute in her life if she had a bloodhound to help her.

While her husband, Dr. Robert Nelson, is saying, "Open wider, please," in his Lebanon dentist's office, and two older sons, Robert, 16, and David, 14, are shining their brass buttons at Culver Military Academy, and son Jack, 10, is pondering fractions in Lebanon grade

school, Mrs. Nelson in boots and jacket is managing a thoroughly up-to-date 130-acre farm a couple of miles west of Lebanon.

That is, after she has had breakfast for husband and Jack ready at 7:30 a.m. and gotten them headed for town, father to the office and Jack to school.

She's strictly a book farmer, she says, adhering closely to the feeding formulas, fertilizing formulas and modern techniques from her county agent and the agricultural research laboratories of Purdue University.

"I leave all the experimenting to them," she says. "I do just exactly as they say, and it comes out all right."

With one farm hand to help her she oversees all the planting, care and harvesting of crops and all the care of the livestock. Annually she markets 60,000 pounds of high-grade pork on the hoof, several thousand pounds of Shorthorn beef, seventy fat lambs from her own flock and a carload of Western lambs that she has fed to marketable poundage.

They bought the farm several years ago when they wanted their boys to have the sunshine, fresh air and atmosphere of farm life. Dr. Nelson, however, found he had insufficient time from his dental practice, so he turned the whole responsibility for the farm over to his wife. So now she's wife, mother, housekeeper and farm manager.

During the third week in January, when the hogs are farrowing, and in February, when the ewes are becoming mothers all over the place at the rate of several a night, Mrs. Nelson is midwife to the animals as well. Her alarm clock rings at two-hour intervals, as she makes her lantern-lighted rounds to see that nature is functioning properly in the hog houses and sheep sheds. Her farrowing houses are kept warm and comfortable.

Mrs. Nelson keeps registered hogs of Berkshire and Hampshire breeds, and crosses them for what she considers the best production in marketable pork.

But she never lets the high pressure of her many jobs make life drab nor monotonous. After the farrowing and the lambing season is over she takes a vacation trip to Florida until it's time to put the crops in. She is active in community life.

When you see her at a social gathering with her husband and her handsome sons in their Culver uniforms, you'd never dream she is a farm manager.

To her many friends throughout the state it should be good news to know that Virginia Stoner, Epsilon Chapter, Columbus, has recently been appointed to the Executive Council of the Alumnae Association of Indiana University for a period of three years.

GREENFIELD CELEBRATES
30TH ANNIVERSARY

Upsilon Chapter, of Greenfield, held a party on April 17, 1950, in the James Whitcomb Riley Hotel banquet room in honor of their 30th anniversary as a chapter of Psi Iota Xi.

A musical pantomime, "Dream in Panorama," written and directed by Mrs. Kay Boyle, was presented. The poem narration, as given below, was accompanied by music and pantomime, one picture of which is here used, also.

DREAM IN PANORAMA

I dream of a night thirty years now gone,
Where ten of us, anxious hearted,
Faced Theta Chapter of New Castle town
And saw our Psi Otes started.
The milestones have passed and then gone by,
But have left their mark, it seems,
Have made the parade of Psi Iota Xi,
I remember it now, in my dreams.
We were eager and vital in that first year,
And worked, both early and late,
In charity's cause, then others drew near,
And the ten became twenty-eight.
And one there was, who great talent displayed,
Libby Rhoadarmer was her name,
For she played, as may have angels played,
How I wish I might hear her again.
Then we worked for our cause in various ways,
With dances, pictures, bazaars,
The "Roaring Twenties" they called those days,
And the joys of good efforts were ours.
But, oh, when I think of the things that we wore
What we did to our faces and lips!
"Flapper," yes, that was the name that we bore.
Emphasized legs and wriggled our hips.
Then I recall the Centennial Parade
In the year of twenty-eight
And they told us Psi Otes, a float must be made,
To celebrate that date.
We got some crepe paper, they found us a truck,
But for an idea we were stalled.
Yet with working and wrapping and no end of luck,
"Ship of Progress" our effort was called,
Then came a day of most worthy mention

During June of twenty-nine.
For we were hostess to national convention,
How proud were we all at the time.
We made our town both gay and bright,
With flowers strewn everywhere,
There was song by day and dancing by night,
For our sister Psi Otes were there.
And now I see the new swimming pool,
How we worked toward that happy day,
Our party we had, 'round those waters so cool,
To help it on its way.
Next we were proud to be a part
Of restoring the Riley Home,
A project as dear to a true Hoosier heart,
As the love of his native loam.
But now, my dream draws me back to an hour
That I never, in this life, shall lose,
The moment is with me in all of its power
Still tinted in rose-colored hues.
My sister Psi Otes were gathered there
Within the convention hall,
And thoughts of a most worthy charity
Were filling the minds of all.
Then it came my turn, and I rose to my feet,
And in words that knowledge made clear,
I plead for children who could not speak
And for those that could not hear.
Then Psi Iota Xi gave her answer
Her words gave me endless cheer
Of aid to be brought to the speechless ones
And help to those that cannot hear.
Then came the sadder war years,
And we, as countless others,
Worked our bit, and shed our tears,
For husbands, sons, and brothers.
Then it was in forty-seven,
Over in Muncie town
A program, by Edna Crowell given,
Brought to us much renown.
And then late, in forty-eight,
Our choral group came along,
And have, I'm happy to relate
Oft' charmed us with a song.
Edith Heller, in forty-nine,
Had an idea truly great,
It was a honey, made lots of money,
Yes, of course, the Riley plate!
Many sisters have with us tarried,
Some are far and some are near.
But for those almost to be married,
Listen closely, bells you may hear.
And last our sisters' children,
Those little prides and joys,
Some will be girls and thus — Psi Otes,
But others will be — "just boys."



One of the scenes from Greenfield's "Dream in Panorama"

NEW CASTLE'S NUTRITION CAMP GAINS RECOGNITION

(Editor's note: The following article was taken from The Indianapolis Star, and one that I feel worthy of a place in our year-book.)

New Castle, Ind. — The Psi Iota Xi nutrition camp at the edge of Memorial Park northwest of New Castle has more than proven its worth to the community fighting tuberculosis at its source—undernourished and underweight children.

The camp, established in 1937 by the local sorority, is no hospital, it's a place for fun. Here children enjoy benefits of sunshine, organized play and healthful living. They have a regulated diet, which includes plenty of milk. The camp period is a health-building schedule of rest, passive recreation and craft work.

The sorority operated its first season of camp on a fund built up through its annual charity dances and other projects. Since the first season it has been an agency of the New Castle Community Fund.

That first year, when the camp was located on the Dr. George Sweigart farm seven miles west of New Castle and about a half mile north of Mt. Lawn, a gross of 184 pounds weight was added to the 33 youngsters who spent three weeks apiece at the camp. Last year youngsters attending camp showed an average of six pounds during their stay. This season, at the end of the first two weeks, one girl had increased her weight six

and one-half pounds, while the smallest gain was recorded by the lightest girl in camp, who advanced only two and one-half pounds.

At first the camp was for both boys and girls but the last two years it has been for girls only, ranging from 7 to 11 years of age.

All girls of the community, threatened by tuberculosis yet not having active cases, are eligible for camp. There are two four-week periods with 12 girls attending each of the two periods. Recommendations for admission are made by the city health nurse and the county nurse. Potential campers' health records are checked as to vaccination, tuberculin test, tonsils, adenoids, teeth and skin condition.

Campers may come because they have been unable to gain back lost pounds following an illness, never acquired proper eating habits or need a regular routine established.

The present camp building was erected in 1940 at a cost of \$1,458.13 with funds from the charity treasury of the sorority. It's a one-story frame structure finished with brown creosote stain. It has an asphalt roof, and the building includes a recreation room, dormitory, showers and toilet, counsellor's room, kitchen and dining room.

The condition of children as they enter camp, their gains in weight and health accomplished during the camp periods are recorded on cards in a filing system.

LOOKING AT THE FILES

1910

(Taken from Vol. I No. I, The Helicon, dedicated to the founders, and quoting a clipping from the October, 1897, issue of the first high school Helicon, edited by Alpha Chapter.)

"It was not until the hot weather was over, and the beautiful September days and frosty evenings had arrived that the girls of the Muncie high school woke up to their interests. As soon as the boys had organized a cadet corps football team and various other things, the girls began to realize that they must organize something, if only a sewing society or cooking club. Five of the girls, who usually spent their leisure time before school walking around the block, asked themselves the question: 'Why can't we have a Greek letter society for girls?' From that time forth, they, with three teachers, have labored earnestly to make the order a reality, and, now that it is a reality, it remains to be seen with what success they will meet. Several meetings were held, a constitution was adopted and everything was soon in systematic working order. They decided upon the name 'Psi Iota Xi' and selected turquoise blue and old gold for their colors. This publication of The Helicon is their first effort and all are pleased with the attempt. The society has many good objects in view and it is to be hoped that these young ladies have laid the foundation for a society that will last as long as there is a high school in Muncie."

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Eleven chapters on the roll: Muncie, Columbus, Ohio, Indianapolis, Columbus, Ind., Bloomington, Dayton, Ohio, New Castle, Rushville, Kokomo, Richmond, and New Albany.

1915

(The Helicon, edited by Epsilon Chapter)

An Article Advocating
Better Organization.

"In the hurry and bustle of our modern progress the ideas and institutions of minimum efficiency are being thrown aside to make room for larger conceptions, giving material evidence of higher advancement. One of the questions at present before the public is: 'Shall the secret society exist?' Even now the high

school Greek letter fraternity has been eradicated — we must confess it — rightfully.

"And what of us? Are we so organized that in the event of a fight against us, could we adequately justify ourselves? Our first need is a better national organization. The time has passed for us to be a loosely bound collection of individual chapters, each doing very much as it pleases and really not responsible to anyone. We should be more firmly knit."

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Delta Chapter made the suggestion that all girls over 21 should belong to an alumni organization. The active and alumni groups were to hold separate meetings, with the alumni ready to help the actives when needed.

1917

(The Helicon, edited by Iota Chapter.)

Quotations From An Article
by Erema S. Wilk

The Duty of Psi Iota Xi to Suffrage

"The women of Indiana are more interested in suffrage than ever before, because they have been granted the partial enfranchisement at the last legislature. Now, they are trying to hold on to the rights already acquired and add to these so that their quota of rights will equal men's.

"Psi Iota Xi, which has always stood for the highest and most progressive in community life, can stand for the cause and lend its influence in every possible way to make the outcome a success."

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Quotation from an Article by
Alma Green, Grand Inspectress

"The greatest problem that Psi Iota Xi has had to deal with since the 1915 convention, when it became necessary to bar high school girls from membership, has been the growth of the 'slacker' spirit. Surely they can rouse themselves from this state of indifference. They have been real 'Si Oat' material in the past and we believe they will be in the future."

VISIT TO SPEECH AND HEARING CLINIC, INDIANA UNIVERSITY

If any of you have any doubt of the good work being done by the speech and hearing clinics we are backing in the state, you should take time off to visit the clinic at one of the schools.

Members of Grand Council had the opportunity the day before the presentation of "Parsifal" to visit the Indiana University Clinic. I, for one, came away with the thought that if we never did another worthy thing in our history, past or to come, we can be proud of our existence because of our connection with speech and hearing therapy.

I'm sure that there are many times that you can visit at one of these clinics, if you make arrangements, and I would like to have you see the expression on the little faces, and the devotion in the eyes as I saw shown to Miss Laila Larsen, special instructor, when her patient, painstaking efforts were met with understanding. Yes, you may well be proud of Psi Iota Xi's step forward in so worthy a cause.

"MISS PIXIE" MAKES DEBUT AT FRANKFORT

All those who attended convention will remember Miss Pixie, originally a member of the new Gamma Mu Chapter, who turned her affiliations over to Beta Tau of Frankfort, following an auction which was held by our new chapter at Lafayette as a money-making project.

Members of Beta Tau have been adding to her beautiful wardrobe which consists of all hand knitted and crocheted items. More pieces are being added as she is displayed prior to Frankfort's Fair Week at which time some fortunate little girl will become the proud possessor of this glamorous Miss Pixie.

READ YOUR NEWS LETTERS YOU MAY MISS SOMETHING

Corresponding secretaries have done a fine job of getting material into their letters that make good reading material. The letters are full of ideas, too, one of which might be the right one for you. I see where a number of suggestions made at province meetings have been tried and found sound. Don't pass up a good chance. Read your news letters.

DO YOU KNOW OUR OFFICIAL JEWELERS?

Psi Iota Xi has an official jeweler in the firm of Meyer & Alexander, a firm that has faithfully served us for over a quarter of a century.

From Meyer & Alexander, chapters may expect exceptionally prompt service on orders for pledge and official pins, favors for initiates, parties and banquets, as well as crested articles of silver and hammered aluminum for wedding gifts.

In keeping with our contract with Meyer & Alexander, the firm rebates to our Grand Treasurer ten per cent of the annual sales. During the past year, it was quite a sizable sum. The Grand Council urges all chapters and its members to patronize only the official jewelers in order that this annual rebate may be further increased and the amounts derived therefrom be added to philanthropic and other projects.

The firm issues an annual catalog which should be in the possession of the chapters by mid-November. If the catalog, along with price lists of pins and official order blanks, does not reach the chapter secretary, merely drop a post card to Meyer & Alexander at Marion, Indiana. Any Psi Ote may request catalogs and price lists.

All Psi Otes are familiar with the many philanthropic exploits of Miss Elsie Sweeney. Her travels during the past year bear an unusual note of interest. In August, 1949, Elsie attended the Edinburgh Music and Drama Festival in Scotland. In May, 1950, more music was on the agenda, as she traveled to Florence, Italy, for the May Music Festival. While in Florence, Elsie entertained for Mrs. Charles Latham, whom most Psi Otes know for her work as head of the Woman's Committee of the Indianapolis Symphony. June, 1950, found Elsie again in Europe, this time to attend the Passion Play at Oberammergau.

Epsilon Chapter, hostess chapter in 1951 for Mid-Year luncheon, said bon voyage to the chairman of this event, Grace Turner, who sailed June 29th for a two-month holiday in South America. We hope she returns full of pep and enthusiasm for the task ahead.

RILEY CHEER GUILD A WORTHWHILE PROJECT

One of the simplest and most satisfying philanthropies carried on by several Psi Ote chapters is the maintenance of a chapter of the Riley Hospital Cheer Guild, that makes the stay of each young patient in the James Whitcomb Riley Hospital for Children, in Indianapolis, as pleasant as possible.

The Cheer Guild also provides numerous little necessities and comforts for patients in the Rotary Convalescent Home, the Robert W. Long Hospital, and the Coleman Hospital for Women as well as gifts and entertainment for children in Riley.

Organized in 1924, the Guild has grown from a group of a dozen Indianapolis women into a statewide organization of 15,000 members.

Only requirements of auxiliary chapters are dues of ten cents per member each year and one contribution of cash, gifts or service during the year. Each chapter selects a name reminiscent of the Hoosier poet's dialect. Cheer Guild chapters are formed within many women's organizations throughout the state.

Typical of Psi Ote activity in the Riley Cheer Guild is the Greensburg chapter, "When the Green Gits Back in the Trees," sponsored by Sigma Chapter. After dyeing and decorating Easter eggs for every patient in each of the Indiana University Medical Center hospitals in 1949, Greensburg Psi Otes had experienced such deep satisfaction in serving those less fortunate that they decided to form an auxiliary chapter of the Guild.

Affiliating in June, 1949, the members decided to make jelly for toast on cold winter mornings. Late in the summer each girl was responsible for taking two glasses of jelly to the home of the Riley Cheer Guild chairman, Mrs. Charles Overpeck, who packed it and took it all to the hospital.

Again at Eastertime this year each child was the recipient of an Easter remembrance from "When the Green Gits Back in the Trees." Currently Greensburg members are making scuffies, serviceable little slippers, from gay, washable prints, trimmed in matching tape of a plain color. Soon they will begin making crib quilts from the little scraps left from the scuffies.

Other Cheer Guild chapters formed within Psi Ote chapters include: "The Rain," Gamma Beta, Remington, formed January 11, 1948; "Christine's Song," Gamma Delta, Attica, June 5, 1945; "Prophesynin'," Delta, Indianapolis, November 23, 1948; "Offered in Love," Rho, Angola, April 8, 1949.

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CINCINNATI CHAPTER GAINS RECOGNITION

Members of our Cincinnati Chapter received very favorable comment on their "Table Setting" entered in a contest conducted by the Cincinnati Gas and Electric Co. In a letter Mary Belle Burnett, director of the home service division of the company, said, "Your entry was very lovely. You should feel complimented on the many nice comments heard on the floor concerning it. Spectators derived pleasure from watching you work as well as from the finished product."

The group also favorably served Psi Iota Xi when they acted as courtesy hostesses at the Hamilton County Home for an evening's program. Those who assisted in this capacity were Mrs. Henry F. Lenzer, Mrs. Hazel Bannister, Mrs. Dorothy Byrn, Mrs. Virginia Croxton, Mrs. Margaret Dale, Mrs. Eunice Davis, Mrs. Leslie Eberts, Mrs. Stella Huffman, Miss Margene Williams, Mrs. Sarah Knox, Mrs. Anita Maujer, Mrs. Harriet McNaughton, Mrs. Helen Murdough, Mrs. Lucy Oesting, Mrs. Burton Osburn, and Mrs. Frances Schultz.



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